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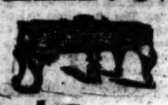

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Prince Bismarck is suffering from inflammation of the veins.

—Gen. Longstreet will probably succeed Judge Hunt as Secretary of the Navy.

—A fire at Custer City, near Bradford, Pa., destroyed $80,000 worth of property yesterday.

—G. Hofheimer & Son, wholesale clothiers of Norfolk, Va., have failed. Liabilities, $75,000.

—Fair weather, southerly veering to westerly winds, and stationary or lower temperature for this region today.

—Collector Robertson, of New York, had an interview with President Arthur yesterday. Ex-Senator Boutwell also called.

—James Galentine, a flouring-mill owner of Bourbon, near Plymouth, Ind., was caught in the shafting of his mill yesterday and instantly killed.

—A boat containing fourteen persons left Galway Thursday for the Islands of Arran. When about midway on the passage a storm arose and all hands were wrecked.

—The total values of exports of domestic provisions for the eleven months ending Nov. 30 were $210,318,432, as compared with $257,331,045 for the corresponding eleven months of last year.

—James L. Payne, of Carolina County, Maryland, quarreled with his tenant, John Blanch, about rent. The quarrel ended in Payne's fatally shooting Blanch. Payne himself was seriously hurt.

—The *Germania*, Ultramontane organ, states that the motion introduced by Windthorst in the German Reichstag for the abrogation of the May laws will be supported by the Centre, Alsatians, and Poles.

—Secretary Blaine has been invited by the Garfield Memorial Committee to deliver the chief oration when the Presidential memorial services are held in the House of Representatives soon after New Year's.

—It is rumored that Secretary Hunt will soon retire from the Cabinet, and that he will be appointed to succeed Judge Bancroft Davis on the Court of Claims. His successor, it is said, has not yet been determined on.

—Speaker Keifer yesterday announced the following as the committee on the expenses attending the illness and burial of President Garfield: Taylor, Pound, Cox, Lefevre, Belford, Blackburn, Page, Springer, O'Neill, and Shelley.

—John Butts, John Connor, and Thomas J. McKey have been arrested in Poweshiek County, Iowa, on the charge of counterfeiting. They have confessed their guilt. Detective Vermilya, of Keokuk, is entitled to credit for making the arrests.

—It is probable that the President will soon appoint a successor to Postmaster-General James. Rumor has it that Mr. Filley, of St. Louis, will be the lucky man, but there are those among the knowing ones who say that another man will be chosen.

—The officers of twenty-one telegraph and cable companies have memorialized the British Government to place submarine cables under the protection of international law. It is probable that Lord Granville will receive a deputation on the subject.

—Secretary Kirkwood, in a letter to the Department of Justice, takes very strong grounds against the validity of the Maxwell land-grant of New Mexico, denouncing it as fraudulent. He reflects severely on the officials concerned in extending the limits of the grant, and favors the recognition of the settlers' claims.

—The London *Standard* (Tory organ) seems to think Secretary Blaine's suggestion for the modification of the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty preposterous, and the *Daily News* (Gladstonian organ) thinks that Britain can never consent to the modifications, and is inclined to believe that the American people do not demand them.

—Col. Strachan, of the Ninth Massachusetts Regiment says that after a most searching investigation into the charges of misconduct made against his regiment during the visit to Virginia in connection with the Yorktown celebration, he finds that twenty-one men only were guilty of improper conduct, and that this improper conduct consisted of simple intoxication, disobedience of orders, and unsoldierly and ungentlemanly conduct committed under the influence of liquor. The other charges referred to by the board of investigation appointed by Gov. Long, Col. Strachan says he has been unable to find any proofs of; on the contrary, the officers of the regiment positively assert that these charges are baseless.

—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, which is going largely into the telegraph business, made application last evening to the Council for permission to string additional wires on the poles already in use, and to erect other poles on which to place wires to connect with branch offices, to be located in various parts of the city.

—Mr. Robinson, of Brooklyn, evidently intends that he shall be heard from on the question of the imprisonment of American citizens of Irish birth in Ireland. He tried to bring up the question in the House of Representatives yesterday, but was called to order by the Speaker. He gave notice, however, that he would be heard from on the same subject again.

—As was anticipated, Benjamin Harris Brewster, of Philadelphia, has been nominated for Attorney-General of the United States. The nomination will be confirmed tomorrow probably. The appointment is very favorably regarded. The choice is looked on as excellent. The star-route ringsters do not look very favorably on the appointment, however.

—Hatch, of Missouri, introduced a bill in the House yesterday to permit planters to sell tobacco of their own production without payment of license or tax, to the amount of twenty-five pounds annually. Hatch's bill is that which is known as the Farmers' bill. The bill was referred to the Ways and Means Committee, though Mr. Hatch wished it referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

—The convention of General Passenger and Ticket Agents which assembled in Chicago last Thursday finished its labors yesterday and adjourned *sine die.* The subject under consideration was the proposed abolition of the system of allowing commissions to agents upon the sale of railroad tickets, and the convention adopted an agreement which contemplates putting an end to the practice.

—Once more Cannon, the Mormon, has received a setback in his attempt to get into Congress. As a result of a rehearing of the case, Chief-Justice Hunter, of the Utah Supreme Court, yesterday refused to modify or set aside the order previously made holding as fraudulent and void the certificate of naturalization obtained by Cannon, and in effect once more declaring him to be an alien and not entitled to a seat in Congress.

—Speaker Keifer was given a complimentary reception at the Masonic Temple in Washington last night under the auspices of the Ohio Republican Association. Judge Lawrence delivered the address of welcome, which was very largely tinctured with Ohioism. Speaker Keifer responded appropriately. Speeches were also made by ex-Speaker Randall, Senators Logan, Pendleton, and Sherman, Representatives Orth, Dunnell, Hiscock, Robeson, Reed, and Gov. Foster.

—Senator Voorhees read a somewhat eloquent and forcible speech in the Senate yesterday condemning the recommendation of Secretary Folger as to the limitation of silver coinage. He sharply criticised Secretary Sherman's financial policy, and intimated rather broadly that President Arthur and Secretary Folger were mere agents of the National banks. He defended the greenback theories of a few years ago, and claimed that they had triumphed. He was very severe on monopolies, corporations, etc.

—Representatives of the thirteen States called yesterday introduced 387 bills. More will follow. It may console our readers to know that few, if any, of the bills will pass. Among those introduced were the following: By Mr. Townsend, of Ohio, to appropriate $50,000 for the relief of the widow of President Garfield; Mr. Neal, of Ohio, to incorporate the Garfield Memorial Hospital Society; by Miller, providing for the discharge in bankruptcy of one or more of the innocent members of a partnership when another partner has been guilty of some illegal act; by Shallenberger, to prevent persons living in bigamy from holding any office of trust or emolument in the United States Territories, also regulating marriage in the Territories.

—The chief incident of the Guiteau trial yesterday was the examination of his former wife as a witness. She testified in very plain language that she never thought the assasin was insane. For a wonder Guiteau kept quiet while she was giving her testimony, which was probably owing to the fact that her present husband stood by her while she was testifying. Guiteau is considerable of a ruffian, but much more of a coward. He made up, however, for his abstention from abuse of his wife by wholesale abuse of Col. Corkhill and Gen. Reynolds. On the whole, however, he behaved moderately well yesterday. Judge Folger, who occupied a seat in the court-room, is understood to have said that the testimony given yesterday is of itself sufficient to hang Guiteau.

—A St. Paul dispatch, given in another column, contains some interesting facts concerning an extensive and peculiar land swindle being perpetrated in Dakota, just south of the Manitoba line, by parties residing in Emerson, Manitoba. It appears that these Canadians have by means of misrepresentation entered lands in Dakota and are cultivating these lands, and at the same time retaining their residence and allegiance as subjects of Queen Victoria. In nearly every case there has been filed no valid declaration of intention to become citizens of the United States, and of course there is no such intention. The business and social standing of some of the parties engaged in this nefarious business is such as to create surprise that they should engage in it. Being citizens of another country, they are beyond the jurisdiction of the United States courts, but some way will doubtless be found to wrest from them the title and possession of the lands thus wrongfully obtained.

—Ireland is in a ferment. The Land-Leaguers seem to be unsubdued. *United Ireland*, the Land-League organ, has been suppressed in Dublin and Cork and other parts of Ireland, but it threatens to come to life in London, and, if suppressed in London, the owners say it will be published from Paris. Some time ago the New York *Herald* correspondent said the circulation of the paper was 125,000 weekly. The recent course of the Government must have doubled the circulation of the paper. The Earl of Dunraven, who has posed as a "good" landlord in his country and in Europe, denies the report that he has reduced his rents one-third. He says that he has accepted two-thirds of the rents of his tenantry, pending the revaluation of the farms of his estate. This is a mild way of denying that he has been rack-renting his tenantry for several years past. The Irish landlords have shown themselves to be Irish—they have quarreled among themselves. Two meetings will be held, one on the 3d of January, when the Duke of Abercorn, at one time Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, will preside, and the other on the 23d of December, when the Earl of Desart will preside. Mr. Biggar has written a letter to one of the Irish papers objecting to the Queen opening the proposed Irish Industrial Exhibition, and urging that either Davitt or Parnell should open it.

SILVER.

Voorhees' Answer to the Recommendations of Folger.

A Speech Delivered from Manuscript in the Senate.

Shall the People Trust Themselves to the Mercies of the Bankers?

Shall Legalized Cruelty and Public Usury Be Increased Among Us?

Have Bankers Ever Shown Mercy, Unselfishness, or Genuine Liberality?

These Are Senator Voorhees' Questions, and He Says "No!" to All of Them.

He Believes the Silver Dollar Cured Us of the Terrible Panic of 1873;

And If the Goldbugs Could Strangle Silver Currency, They Would Bring the Hard Times Back.

The Speech Was Intended for Popular Reading, but the Senators Also Listened to It.

VOORHEES.

HIS SPEECH IN THE SENATE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—No suggestion of the Secretary of the Treasury in his recent report caused more opposition than that in relation to the discontinuance of the coinage of the silver dollar, and the withdrawal of the silver certificates. When the report was read this suggestion awoke outspoken opposition. It was not anticipated, however, that formal notice would be so speedily taken of it as was done today. Senator Voorhees, as soon as the report was read, in private and by intimation in public expressed his total dissent from the recommendations of Mr. Folger. He decided that the sooner the recommendations were met with a protest the better it would be. He therefore prepared with a good deal of care a speech which he read to the Senate today. Allowing what is getting to be an almost invariable custom of Senators, he

READ HIS SPEECH FROM MANUSCRIPT,

and in doing so, a good deal of the fire and vehemence which characterizes his public speeches was lost. Voorhees' was less of an argument than a statement of opinion. He made the broad assertion, in starting, that the panic of 1873 was more by the demonetization of silver than by any other one agency. He pictured with a good deal of graphic word-painting the five years of business depression and its continuing evils through which the country had passed subsequent to 1873. He then made another assertion, with all the force of conviction, that the tide of business prosperity began in 1878, when Congress remonetized silver, and, according to his idea, nearly all the prosperity that is now enjoyed is the result of that act. He regarded Hayes' veto as

A PUNY PROTEST,

entirely in accord with the other acts of an Executive whom Voorhees regarded as extremely weak. He said that by an overwhelming vote of the House this veto was blown away as by a breath. As the panic was caused by demonetization and overcome by remonetization in his opinion, Voorhees regarded the suggestion of the Secretary of the Treasury as ill-advised and criminal. From this point on the speech which the Senator had so carefully prepared read as though it were prepared for general reading more than for the ears of the Senators. In fact, Voorhees said that the farmers and laborers who should read these remarks could not fail to be impressed by certain suggestions which he made. These suggestions were in the nature of strong

EXPRESSIONS OF DISAPPROVAL

at the grasping efforts which, in his opinion, characterized the National banks. He very plainly intimated, if he did not directly assert, that President Arthur and his Secretary of the Treasury were the merest agents of the National banks. Voorhees had a great deal to say about usurious money-lenders and about the grip which the money-power was getting upon the country, upon labor, the manufacturing interests, and the farmers. In his opinion, such recommendations as those of the Secretary of the Treasury and those made by the President would still further increase this money-power, and it was the duty of Congress to stand between these soulless corporations, as he regarded them, and the common people. Thus, in brief, the nature of Voorhees' remarks may be outlined. The speech was listened to very closely by

PAIR AND JONES, OF NEVADA,

the latter of whom was in the chamber for the first time today. What Voorhees had to say about the triumph of the Greenback idea caused a little stir of interest, for he insisted that the Greenbackers had demonstrated the correctness of their views, and that those who were opposed to the Greenback idea must now admit they had been wrong. His argument in favor of this system was, that, in 1878, there were between $300,000,000 and $400,000,000 of greenbacks in circulation, and that, today there was about the same amount. This amount has been neither increased nor diminished during the past four years, since silver was remonetized.

SENATOR SHERMAN

listened very closely to Voorhees' speech, many parts of which referred to him and to his policy while Secretary of the Treasury. Voorhees said, with some sarcasm of tone, that whether the prosperity of the country was due to Sherman or to a bountiful Providence was a question which he would leave to the country to decide. Voorhees had introduced a resolution practically stating the recommendations of the Secretary of the Treasury were bad, and this resolution was simply a peg to hang his speech upon. It is not known that the discussion of this matter will go any further just now in the Senate. It is quite likely, however, that a bill may be introduced either in the Senate or House to carry out the suggestions of the Secretary of the Treasury. If it is introduced, it will be likely to cause a debate in the House. The best impression now seems to be that the recommendation of the Secretary of the Treasury will fail.

THE FOLLOWING, MORE IN DETAIL,

are the points made by Mr. Voorhees on the silver question: Beginning with the passage of the act of 1873 demonetizing silver, he spoke of the indignation it drew out from the people, and said that the act of 1873 remonetizing silver was in obedience to the voice of the American people—a victory gained by the industrious classes through their representatives in Congress over the bondholding, lazy drones who constitute the money power. Passing hastily over the veto of the bill remonetizing silver by President Hayes, and its overriding by Congress, he said:

The five years during which silver did not exist in the country marked a period of financial depression, wreck, and desolation. Honest debts amounting to $8,000,000 were wiped out by enforced bankruptcy, homes were broken up, and business wrecked by an outrageous financial policy. The act demonetizing silver was the important, potent factor in this overthrow of business enterprises. It was one of a series of acts of legislation intended for

THE BENEFIT OF THE BONDHOLDERS

and shaving Shylock moneygrubers. It cut down the amount of money in the hands of the people so as to make the capital of the bondholders more influential in the affairs of the country. The circulation of silver stood in the way of this, and it was as hateful to the money power as the sight of our first parents' happiness was to the arch enemy of mankind. Silver money fell because it was obnoxious to this power. But it has been restored to circulation, and I stand here asking what casualty it has brought about, what crime it has wrought, that calls for this latest deadly assault upon it. It was the legislation of the Forty-fifth Congress that broke the spell of financial prostration and quickened into life the enterprise of the country. The act restoring the coinage of silver was the potent factor in the restoration of the enterprises of the country.

Coming to

ANOTHER BRANCH OF THE SUBJECT,

Senator Voorhees alluded to the power of the Secretary of Treasury to curtail the currency, and said it was the capricious exercise of this vast and dangerous power by different Secretaries of the Treasury, followed by the demonetization of silver, that brought about the panic of 1873. The idea of business stability or prosperity under such a system was the sight of folly, said Mr. Voorhees. Of the silver certificates, he said that every dollar of silver certificates in circulation had a silver dollar behind it. Such a currency was as eagerly sought as any other kind of money. Of the cost of the silver money, he said silver came from mines by private enterprise, paid the Government for its coinage, and almost $100,000,000 of it had been added to the currency without cost to the people. "And yet," said the Senator, "it is concerning this safe, cheap, stable currency that the Secretary makes the recommendations contained in his message. Quoting from

THE SECRETARY'S RECOMMENDATIONS,

he said: In my mind this is a criminal assault upon the financial stability and business interest of the country. Even the bare proposition to contract the currency would at this time create a panic but for the faith of the people that Congress is wiser than the executive departments of the Government, and that it will refuse its indorsement to such a proposition. There is not

A CRIME AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF HUMANITY

so great as the destruction by act of the Government of its currency in the hands of the people. But the Secretary does not stop with the recommendation to retire $54,000,000 of silver certificates. He asked for the repeal of the Coinage law of 1878, and wants Congress to leave the power in his hands to coin what he thinks necessary. It is very obvious that this recommendation is intended to drive silver entirely out of circulation. This is shown by the Secretary's attempt to prove that silver is not in circulation. Report shows $24,000,000 of coin and $68,000,000 of certificates are in circulation. Who can justify this assault on $100,000,000 of currency possessed of the same circulatory power as gold? Such a movement must have powerful inspiration from some quarter.

THE SPEECH.

FROM THE "RECORD."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—In the Senate Mr. Voorhees' resolution, referring to the Finance Committee parts of the President's message relating to a repeal of the laws authorizing silver coinage and the issue of silver certificates, was taken up and that Senator addressed the Senate. He referred to the financial distress of the country during five years prior to 1878 and following the act demonetizing silver, and said that, while this distress was not due to that legislation the act was a potent factor in the general scheme for the contraction of money and the consequent overturow of business property. It was one of several kindred measures designed to the same evil, and looking to the benefit of the money-lending usurers engaged in making money scarce and dear, the rate of interest high, wages low, and the times hard for all but bond and mortgage holders. The law of the Democratic Congress, in 1878, restoring the silver circulation by means of certificates and coin, broke the nightmare spell of financial prostration and quickened the vitality of every business enterprise. It gave positive assurance of a much-needed gradual increase of our circulating medium. Everybody could then know how much was coming, and at what rate, and could prepare for business accordingly. None of

THE VEHEMENT PROGNOSTICATIONS OF EVIL

then made against the use of silver money had been verified. The capricious exercise by the different Secretaries of the Treasury of the vast and dangerous power of contracting the currency and tightening the money market at the instance of the National banks, who would have driven out the circulation of all kinds of money but their own, in order that they might have the whole financial field, and all its profits, to themselves, together with the demonetization of silver, more than all other causes combined created and continued the panic of 1873. The act of May 31, 1878, prohibited greenback money from being touched, and the Treasury was thereby told to let the greenback circulation alone at the amount then outstanding. The answer to the cry that the greenback cause was a failure is given in the fact that the amounts of greenbacks in circulation in 1878 and 1881 respectively are exactly the same. That cause had achieved a great and important victory, for the greenback currency remained a steadfast, undeviating, and honored one. Besides the act of securing the greenback from further molestation, a subsequent step making it receivable for import duties raised it to a par with gold, and

THERE IT HAS REMAINED EVER SINCE.

By these measures the currency has been reasonably expanded by the use of silver, and our entire circulation rendered stable and uniform in value, and to this was due the business prosperity of the country. It had been accomplished against the avowed hostility and the active energy of a Republican Administration. Under the act of Feb. 28, 1878, about $32,000,000 of legal-tender silver money has been coined, and silver certificates to the amount of $66,668,800, based, dollar for dollar, on that amount of coin now in the Treasury, and pledged for their redemption. These certificates are in the pockets of the people, performing all the offices of money in daily business.

Voorhees characterized the recommendation of the Secretary of the Treasury for a repeal of the authority for silver certificates, and for their early retirement, a wanton and, to his mind, criminal assault upon the financial stability and business prosperity of the whole country.

IT WAS DELIBERATELY PROPOSED

to retire more than sixty-six millions of money and destroy it, and the consequence of this could be imagined. The bare proposition to contract and disturb the currency at this time would create disorder and panic. But Congress is wiser than the Executive Department, and will pay no heed to this recommendation. In asking authority over the silver coinage and discretion to coin much or little, or none at all, the Secretary's obvious object is to drive silver entirely out of circulation. The Secretary complains that $68,000,000 of coin is in the vaults and will not circulate, although great efforts have been made to that end, and yet he also makes the statement that $66,000,000 of pay paper money based on this very coin is in circulation in every State in the Union. The Secretary's report shows a silver circulation in round numbers of $100,000,000—$68,000,000 in certificates, $34,000,000 in coin. What, then, can be thought of his candor and intelligence in trying to leave the impression that silver money is

A DRUG AND A FAILURE,

and that the people don't want it? This assault upon $100,000,000 of currency on a specie basis will be met by the country and its authors sternly rebuked. The source of the inspiration for it is apparently the Secretary, who, as the mouthpiece of the banks and to quiet the fear of the public mind of destructive financial contraction, says in his report: "There need be no apprehension of a too limited paper circulation. The National banks are ready to issue their notes in such quantity as the laws of trade demand; and as security therefor the Government will hold an equivalent in its own bonds." With supreme, and he (Voorhees) might say insolent complacency, the entire control of the supply and circulation of the currency is handed over, in a few words, to the care of moneyed corporations whose tenderest mercies are

LEGALIZED CRUELTY AND MULTIPLIED USURIES.

The country is to depend on the generosity of the banks for its supply of money. Men neither qualified by knowledge, unselfishness, nor breadth of views to pass upon the wants of labor and of active business are average National bankers. The banks desire to destroy silver and greenbacks, so that their fabulous profits may be extended over the entire currency of the country. An average of not not less than $17,000,000 per year is received by the banks in interest on Government bonds, pledged for circulation; and for eighteen years this has aggregated over $300,000,000, which the people have had to pay for the blessings of bank money. Add to this the profits of the banks on their circulation and deposits, and they have received from the pockets of the people since their creation enough gains to pay off at least two-thirds of the National debt; and all this simply for our privilege of receiving through their hands a little more than one-third of our currency, of no better quality than other currencies for whose circulation there was no tax. Was this such a showing as would induce Congress to abandon the whole financial question to the banks?

WHY WILL THEY NOT LEARN WISDOM,

and forbear their greedy and repulsive demands? We have heard here and elsewhere, many earnest admonitions against financial legislation. Who have been the agitators? Those, who make new, avaricious, and arrogant demands at each session of Congress, or those who stand here to resist encroachment and oppression upon the rights and labor of the people? Mr. Voorhees charged that every financial agitation from March, 1879, changing the contract under which bonds were to be paid to the present hour have been forced upon Congress by an insatiate, relentless demand by the banks and owners of bonds for unrighteous privileges and powers. People were weary and alarmed at their persistent agitation of the business of the country to promote their own selfish ends, and, if they persisted, he knew it was only a question of time when the people would turn and render them powerless. He would commend the history of the downfall of the United States Bank half a century ago to the present associated banks and their official friends in high places. He then quoted from the Philadelphia papers of that day, descriptive of the popular indignation attending the closing of that institution. The resolution was agreed to.

DISGRACED MILITIAMEN.

Several Members of the Massachusetts Ninth Regiment Discarded, and the Whole Organization Placed on Probation.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 16.—The result of the official investigation into the charge against the Ninth Regiment by residents of Richmond and some other Southern places is an order by the Governor discharging twenty men for intoxication, taking mules from carts, and similar frisky acts. The regiment is also placed on probation until June, and meanwhile is cannot appear, as a whole or in part, in uniform. This attempt to settle all sectional feeling on the part of the State authorities is not very successful. The South will probably be puzzled, but the Irish citizens are deeply incensed at the disgrace of the regiment on account of the frolics of a few of the members. In his report to the Commander-in-Chief, Col. Strachan, after naming the offenders brought forward in the search ng investigation of eighteen days, says: "I should not do justice to the regiment if I did not say, after the most thorough investigation, I am unable to substantiate some of the charges referred to by the Board of Investigation appointed to go to Richmond. It must be remembered that all the evidence was taken in Richmond; that no testimony was heard in rebuttal; that the report was made in New York and forwarded to headquarters in Boston without any hearing on the part of the regiment. It is not surprising, therefore, that the Regimental Board of Inquiry has been unable to learn that certain alleged offenses, such as taking cheap jewelry, insulting young white girls, striking a horse and carriage which was being driven through the streets of Richmond, and other misdemeanors, have any foundation in fact. On the contrary, not an officer nor enlisted man of the regiment either saw or heard anything of the kind, and no such article or articles of jewelry as were reported to have been taken were seen with any man or men of the command. The report of improper conduct at Libbie Prison is denied by every officer and man who visited the prison, and some of the officers testified that the keeper of the prison, after all the men had left the building, informed them that everything was satisfactory, and that he had no complaint to make. I have spared no effort to search this matter to the bottom. I have shielded no man. I am solicitous for the honor of the regiment and of the State, as to the former, the Board of Investigation aforesaid certifies to its good conduct as an organization and its excellence in military discipline, and finds that only two individual men when out of the ranks were guilty of misconduct; and yet for the many outrageous statements broadcast over the country and reported as false by the said board their command has no redress."

LANDLORD AND TENANT.

A Fatal Affray in Maryland, in Which the Tenant Was Killed.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 16.—Particulars reached here tonight of a terrible and fatal affray which occurred Wednesday near Bower Bridge, in Caroline County, Maryland. It appears that James L. Payne and John Blanche, two well-known farmers of the above county, were landlord and tenant respectively. Blanche, it is stated, failed to pay his rent when due. Payne issued a distraint warrant for the amount at which Blanche became enraged. On Wednesday the two men met and quarreled, and Blanche struck his landlord over the head with a stick. Payne finally wrested the heavy stick from Blanche and struck him several heavy blows on the skull, inflicting fatal wounds. Blanche died a short time afterward, and Payne was removed to his home unconscious from the injuries he had received during the fight. Both men were about 60 years of age. At last accounts Payne had not yet been arrested.

LAND FRAUDS.

Progress in the Trial of Lindsay at Steubenville, O.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 16.—The trial of Lindsay, one of the alleged conspirators in the Missouri land-fraud cases, progresses slowly. The principal effort so far of the prosecution has been to identify papers, such as deeds, notes, letters, etc. The principal witness for the identification of these papers is the Notary who took the acknowledgment, so called, of the forged deeds by writing all the signatures himself, and then affixed the seal of his office. The witness has nine indictments against him in the courts of St. Louis, eight for forgery and one for perjury. His examination has been tedious, but has developed the fact that, while Lindsay did not write the deeds, which were sent to this city, they were written at his instance and dictation. There is a great stack of papers for identification, and the trial promises to be a long one. The defense have been trying to impeach the admitted character of the principal witness for the State, as, upon his own admission, to be such that he cannot be believed. Whether they will succeed or not is to be determined.

A CLERK'S TRICK.

He Worked in a Post-Office and Government Officers Now Have Him in Custody.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 16.—David M. Keister, clerk in the Mount Pleasant Post-Office, was arrested today by Inspector Camp, of the Post-Office Department. Keister sent out circulars dated Altoona from the Mount Pleasant office. Correspondents directed his letters to Altoona, but the Postmaster at the latter point was directed by mail to forward all mail matter addressed to W. K. Tailor, his assumed name, to Laurelville, Pa., and when the mail reached Mount Pleasant he intercepted it. He also directed the Laurelville Postmaster to send all of Tailor's letters to Erie, and thus he had two chances to intercept all letters to Tailor. These circulars advertised bicycles for $20 each, and Keister pocketed all the money received but never shipped any bicycles. The prisoner is 18 years of age and belongs to a good family.

PROHIBITION RUN MAD.

"The Chicago Tribune" Publicly Denounced by Gov. St. John, of Kansas, as a Whisky Organ.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 16.—Gov. St. John, of Kansas, addressed a prohibition meeting here tonight, in the course of which he denounced THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE as a whisky organ, which had willfully misrepresented the result of prohibition in its columns, and he also characterized the Omaha *Herald* as a small whisky sheet. John B. Finch, the foremost prohibition agitator of this State, who spoke with St. John at Plattsmouth last night, gave the city editor of the Plattsmouth *Journal* a pummeling this morning for publishing reflections upon his morals.

JUDGE COX'S IMPEACHMENT TRIAL.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 16.—In the Senate, sitting as a high court of impeachment, argument has been going on for two days on the demurrer of Judge Cox to the articles of impeachment presented against him by the House for drunkenness and lewdness. The case was argued for the respondent by Lorenzo Allis and Gen. John B. Sanborn, and for the managers of the House by Mr. Hicks and others. The demurrer admitted the charges, but claimed the offenses were not indictable, and therefore not impeachable. At the end of the argument the Senate went into executive session and so remained until 5 o'clock, when the doors were opened and the result announced. After voting on several propositions to sustain the demurrer in part, it was overruled as a whole by a vote of 24 to 5. The Senate then adjourned to Jan. 10, when the trial will begin.

WASHINGTON.

Benjamin H. Brewster Nominated as Attorney-General.

The Selection Commended by All but Star-Routers.

Hunt Will Be a Judge, and Longstreet Will Come In.

The Senators All Set to Laughing by a Speech of Mr. Vest.

A New York Congressman Rises for Ireland, Only to Be Squelched.

Thirteen More States Heard From on the Bill Question—871 New Projects Offered.

Ex-Secretary Blaine to Deliver the Great Garfield Funeral Oration.

A Brilliant Reception Tendered to Speaker Keifer at the Masonic Temple.

Twenty-six Postmasters Made Happy—Sherman's Barn—Senate Committees—Chicago.

THE CABINET.

BREWSTER'S NOMINATION AS ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The nomination of Benjamin Harris Brewster, of Philadelphia, to be Attorney-General of the United States was sent by the President to the Senate today. The nomination was referred to the Judiciary Committee, and will be confirmed at the next meeting of the Senate. The appointment was a surprise in one sense only. When Mr. Frelinghuysen was made Secretary of State the President did not intend to name any of the other members of the Cabinet until after the holiday recess of Congress. The necessity for the appointment of an efficient head of the Department of Justice was so great that he reconsidered his determination, and informed Mr. Brewster that he would nominate him immediately.

THE NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL

was telegraphed for by Gen. Simon Cameron yesterday, and he arrived here last night. His nomination was sent to the senate before he had an opportunity of paying his respects in person to the President. Mr. Brewster's name has been mentioned for several weeks as one of those most likely to receive the favorable consideration of the President for the position of Attorney-General. The very mention of his name in this connection carried consternation to the members of the star-route ring, and their organs in this city assailed him with great bitterness.

THE PRESIDENT HAD VERY LITTLE TO SAY on the subject except to one or two intimate friends, and they were rather surprised to learn that from the time of the resignation of Mr. MacVeagh the selection of Mr. Brewster was practically determined by the President. The new Attorney-General comes into the Cabinet not as the selection of any one man or no one in Pennsylvania politics, but as the first choice of the President, who has the highest opinion of Mr. Brewster's legal abilities, and who recognized in him the one man who was needed in the present emergency at the head of the Department of Justice. His selection means with the entire approval of not only the members of the Pennsylvania delegation, but of Republican Senators and Representatives generally.

NOTHING BUT WORDS OF PRAISE WERE HEARD

on every hand at the wisdom of the President's choice. That the selection of Mr. Brewster has a significance apart from his especial fitness for the position cannot be doubted. He was retained by ex-Attorney-General MacVeagh as special assistant attorney on behalf of the Government to aid in the prosecution of the star-route cases while Gen. Garfield was President. In the Brady information case he made by far the ablest argument that was presented, and his advice has been obtained on every movement contemplated or made by the prosecution. Mr. MacVeagh

RECOMMENDED MR. BREWSTER'S APPOINTMENT.

The new incumbent enters the office familiar with the details of the star-route cases, and his appointment is tangible proof of the determination of the President to prosecute them to the end.

HUNT AND KELLOGG.

A paragraph is floating through the press of the country credited to the Boston *Herald* Washington correspondence which asserts that Secretary Hunt, of the Navy Department, has incurred the hostility of many old Southern friends; that one of his bitter critics is Senator Kellogg, of Louisiana, who, it appears, became interested in the Chiriqui Bay coaling-station job $200,000 were appropriated by the last Congress for the establishment of coaling-stations on the coast of Colombia, on land claimed by Ambrose W. Thompson, a cousin of Secretary Thompson. As soon as Congress adjourned Kellogg and his friend went up to Hunt and demanded the money. Mr. Hunt looked into the matter, and decided that he wouldn't authorize the payment of the money. Kellogg swears to compel him to do so, but he was firm, and the $200,000, most of which was to have gone into the pockets of a lot of needy lobbyists here, remained in the Treasury. Secretary Hunt today sent the item, cut from a paper into which it had been copied, to Senator Kellogg, with the following note:

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—MY DEAR SIR: I send you the inclosed. I am convinced that the ingenuity of the writer is greater than the truth. You never spoke to me of this matter, and I believe never heard of it. Very truly, W. H. HUNT.

There is no hostility or bitterness between Secretary Hunt and Senator Kellogg.

GUESSES.

To the Western Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The President will probably nominate a Postmaster-General before the holiday adjournment, so the new incumbent may enter upon his duties the 1st of January. Rumor still assigns Filley to the place, though there are some who say Filley has been passed over and that another man will get it. All indications, however, point to Filley. Hunt will be succeeded before long, and will probably get place the on the Court of Claims vacated by Bancroft Davis. The President told a Senator who was urging a man for the appointment on the Court of Claims today that the position was promised, and he could not consider any name for it. It is believed he has promised the place to Hunt. Longstreet will probably succeed Hunt.

AT THE CABINET MEETING

today Secretary Blaine took official leave of his associates. The Peru-Cuili imbroglio was discussed.

IN THE HOUSE.

ROBINSON'S BREAK.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—"Reckless" Robinson, of Brooklyn, today indicated that he proposes to become the special champion of the Irish cause in Congress, and that he does not intend to pay any more respect to the rules of the House in his efforts to bring the subject before the public than he is obliged to do. He

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A NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL

...rphed for by Gen. Simon Cameron ...d he arrived here last night. His ...was sent to the Senate before he ...portunity of paying his respects in ...e President. Mr. Brewster's name ...entioned for several weeks as one of ...likely to receive the favorable con-...of the President for the position of ...General. The very mention of his ...n connection carried consternation ...bers of the star-route ring, and ...e in this city assumed with great

PRESIDENT HAD VERY LITTLE TO SAY

...ject except to one or two intimate ...d they were rather surprised to learn ...the time of the resignation of Mr. ...the selection of Mr. Brewster was ...determined by the President. The ...ney-Generals comes into the Cabinet ...reception of any one man or action in ...ublic politics, but as the first choice of ...nt, who has the highest opinion of ...r's legal abilities, and who recog-...him the one man needed in ...ecent emergency at the head ...Department of Justice. His ...ments with the entire approval of not ...mbers of the Pennsylvania delega-...of Republican Senators and Repre-...generally.

BUT WORDS OF PRAISE WERE HEARD

...ard at the wisdom of the President's ...That the selection of Mr. Brewster has ...gone apart from his especial fitness for ...s cannot be doubted. He was retained ...ney-General MacVeagh as special as-...ney on behalf of the Government to ...e prosecutions of the star-route ring ...Garfield was President. In the Brady ...n case he made by far the ablest ar-...that was presented, and his advice has ...ained on every movement contem-...made by the prosecution. Mr. Mac-

...ENDED MR. BREWSTER'S APPOINT-...MENT.

...ncumbent enters the office familiar ...details of the star-route cases, and als ...nt is tangible proof of the determina-...e President to prosecute them to the

HUNT AND KELLOGG.

...graph is floating through the press of ...try credited to the Boston *Herald* ...ial correspondence which asserts that ...Hunt, of the Navy Department, has ...the hostility of many old South-...eads; that one of his bitter ...e Senator Kellogg, of Louisiana, ...appears, became interested ...Chiriqui Bay coaling-station job ...were appropriated by the last Congress ...establishment of coaling-stations on the ...Columbia, on land claimed by Ambrose ...pson, a cousin of Secretary Thompson, ...n Congress adjourned Kellogg and Hunt ...went up to Hunt and demanded ...ney. Mr. Hunt looked into the ...and decided that he wouldn't authorize ...ment of the money. Kellogg sourst to ...him to do so, but he was firm, and the ...ness of which was to have gone into ...ds of a lot of needy lobbyists here, re-...in the Treasury. Secretary Hunt to-...the item, cut from a paper into which ...was copied, to Senator Kellogg, with the ...s note:

DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. ...DEAR SIR: I send you the inclosed. ...vinced that the ingenuity of the writer ...r than the truth. You never spoke to ...is matter, and I believe never heard of ...truly, W. H. HUNT.

...e no hostility or bitterness between ...r Hunt and Senator Kellogg.

GUESSES.

To the Western Associated Press.

...GTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The President ...ably nominate a Postmaster-General ...e holiday adjournment, so the new ...may enter upon his duties the 1st ...Burnett still assigns Filley to the ...ough there are some who say Filley has ...n over and that another man will get ...ndications, however, point to Filley. ...be succeeded before long, and will ...ake place on the Court of Claims re-...Chief Justice Davis. The President told a ...who was urging a man for the appoint-...the Court of Claims today that the po-...promised, and he could not consider ...for it. It is believed he has promised ...to Hunt. Longstreet will probably ...that

AT THE CABINET MEETING

...retary Blaine took official leave of his ...The Peru-Calli imbroglio was dis-

IN THE HOUSE.

ROBINSON'S BREAK.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

...GTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—"Richelieu" ...of Brooklyn, today indicated that he ...o become the special champion of the ...in Congress, and that he does not ...pay any more respect to the rules of ...in his efforts to bring the subject be-...ublic than he is obliged to do. He re-...ed, at the time when the rules did not ...d, to introduce a resolution which he ...ded was a matter of special privilege, which ...ded that an official of the State Depart-...had usurped the functions of the Govern-...ment in regard to the arrest of certain Irish-...American citizens in England last summer. The ...ution was ruled out of order, but Robinson ...gave notice, in a loud voice, that the House ...would be certain to hear from him again.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

The business of the House was the continuing ...of the call of States for the introduction of bills. ...The bills were of the same general character ...that those which had been introduced from ...States earlier in the call. It was easy to see, ...from their titles, that very earnest attempts at ...reform will be made to make the tariff question ...prominent in this Congress, but the reports as ...to the probable composition of the Ways and ...Means Committee, and the somewhat significant ...vote that was taken in the House today, do not ...indicate that any considerable revision of the ...tariff is likely to be made. As to the Ways and ...Means Committee, it is rumored that ex-Speaker ...Randall wants a place upon it, notwithstanding ...it is expected that the Chairmanship will be ...given to Judge Kelley. The free-trade Demo-...crats are giving this report currency, and charge ...that Randall is endeavoring to secure this ap-...pointment by

AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROTECTION-ISTS,

...so as to lend his influence to prevent any legis-...lation upon the tariff question, except it be in ...favor of the commission plan, which is gener-...ally considered to be an attempt to prevent any ...action on the subject until after the coming ...Congressional contest and the next Presidential ...election at least. The vote today, which is to ...some extent regarded as a test vote upon the ...general proposition to repeal internal-revenue ...taxation, and to some extent at least as an indi-...cation of the spirit of the House upon the gen-...eral question of tariff and revenue ...legislation, was with respect to the ...reference of a tobacco bill. Hatch, ...of Missouri, introduced a bill to permit planters, ...without payment of license or tax, to sell tobac-...co of their own production to the amount of ...twenty-five pounds annually. This is known as

THE FARMER'S BILL,

...and is similar to a great many which have been ...introduced from the tobacco-producing States. ...Mr. Hatch desired that the bill should be re-...ferred to the Committee on Agriculture, while ...the ordinary reference would be to the Ways and ...Means Committee. The object of the motion ...is apparent. Although the committees are ...not yet appointed, the belief that the Ways and ...Means Committee will be less inclined, ...when appointed, to favor such legis-...lation than the Agricultural Committee ...is undoubtedly well founded. Accordingly ...a viva-voce vote was demanded. As the roll-...call proceeded a movement upon the floor indi-...cated that the vote was to be regarded as a test ...vote. The motion to refer to the Agricultural ...Committee was defeated by 90 yeas to 157 nays—...a very full House.

THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

The House passed a joint resolution providing ...for the adjournment for the holiday recess from ...Dec. 21 to Jan. 5, in which the Senate on Monday ...will undoubtedly agree. There was a disposi-...tion on the part of those members who live at a ...distance from Washington to have a longer re-...cess, but their attempts to secure an amend-...ment for that purpose were unsuccessful.

THE CALL FOR MICHIGAN.

Going to the unprecedented number of bills ...brought forward by the members, the call of ...States in the House was not concluded today. ...When finished, the record will show that the ...number of bills introduced on the first call of ...States for this Congress will far exceed the num-...ber on the first call in the history of Congress. ...Among the more important public bills intro-...duced by the members from Michigan were the ...following:

By Mr. Lord, bills repealing the bank taxes, ...the tax on bank-checks, matches, proprietary ...medicines, etc., also a bill directing the Secre-...tary of the Treasury to purchase at private sale ...or by condemnation a suitable lot of land in the ...City of Detroit, and to erect thereon a building ...suitable for the accommodation of the courts of ...the United States, the custom-house, post-office, ...pension-office, and other Government offices in ...the city, and $750,000 are appropriated for the ...purpose. The bill also provides for the sale of ...the present building and site. Also, a bill to ...bring into the market certain overflowed and ...reservoyed lands in St. Clair County, the lands ...referred to being a portion of the St. Clair flats ...owned by the United States; also a bill to in-...crease the compensation of letter-carriers.

By Mr. Burrows, a bill relating to the patents ...already published.

By Mr. Hubbell, a bill to provide a building ...for the use of Federal courts and other Federal ...offices at Marquette; also imposing a duty of 1½ ...cents per pound on all fresh-water fish called ...bird fish; also a bill appropriating money for ...Keeper's dwelling at the Pentwater lighthouse; ...also a bill for the construction of a lighthouse ...at Manistique; also a bill to increase the salaries ...of local inspectors of steam vessels in the Dis-...trict of Superior; also a bill for the construction ...of a lighthouse on Squaw Island.

By Mr. Lacey, a bill to provide for the con-...struction of a public building at Lansing for the ...use of the Federal offices, and appropriating ...$75,000 therefor.

By Mr. Willits, a bill to extend the jurisdiction ...of District and Circuit Courts of the United ...States for the punishment of crimes over Indian ...reservations within the limits of any State or ...Territory; also bills relative to polygamy.

By Mr. Horr, a bill granting the right of way ...to the Saginaw & Mount Pleasant Railroad ...through the United States lands in the Indian ...Reservation in Isabella County.

By Mr. Rich, a bill to authorize the Secretary ...of the Treasury to issue an American register to ...the steam-barge Tecumseh; also a bill for the ...government and control of the harbor of refuge ...at Sand Beach.

CHALMER'S CIVIL-SERVICE BILL.

To the Western Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Chalmer's Civil-Service bill, introduced today, is in some particulars similar to Pendleton's. It is pro-...vided that the number of employés shall be ...equally distributed according to popula-...tion between the States, Territories, and ...District of Columbia, and shall be equally ...distributed in the States between the ...Congressional districts; that the Civil-Service ...Commission proposed shall determine how many ...employés each district shall be entitled to, and ...decide which employés shall be discharged to ...bring each district down to its quota. The bill ...also provides that the original entry into service ...shall be at the lowest grade after competitive ...examination.

COMPENSATION OF LETTER-CARRIERS.

Lord's bill for the compensation of letter-car-...riers provides that the salaries of carriers of the ...first class in the service last year shall be $1,000 ...per annum; second class, $900; and all cities con-...taining a population less than 75,000 there shall ...be one class of letter-carriers at $850 per annum. ...Auxiliaries will be paid at the rate of $650 for ...the first year's service, and $700 for each subse-...quent term in that grade. The bill also pro-...vides for substitute letter-carriers at a nominal ...salary excepting when performing duty.

IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS.

Spalding's importation of Animals bill pro-...vides for the entry of thoroughbreds free of ...duty.

THE PUBLIC LANDS.

The bill of Washburn of Minnesota, for the ...relief of settlers on public lands, provides that ...wherever timber culture entry be relinquished ...or cancelled, for the reason that the claimant ...fails to comply with the provisions of the Tim-...ber Culture act, no part of the land covered by ...the relinquished or cancelled entry shall be en-...tered or taken by any subsequent applicant, ex-...cept under the Timber Culture act.

THE SALUTE TO THE BRITISH FLAG.

The resolution of Representative Robinson, ...which he sought to introduce today, recites that ...the salute to the English flag at Yorktown was ...without the authority of Congress, and was ...done at a time when England was suspending ...the habeas corpus, suppressing public meetings, ...and crowding their jails with honorable gentle-...men unaccused of crime; some of them Amer-...ican citizens, and others chosen and honored ...representatives in the Parliament of their own ...people; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend our sympathies to ...those patriots and Members of Parliament suf-...fering imprisonment under unheard-of dep-...rivations.

The salute to the British flag is declared in-...sulting to the memory of the brave men who a ...hundred years ago pulled it down and hoped it ...would never be raised again on American soil, ...etc.

BANK TAXES.

A bill introduced by Representative Lord pro-...vides for imposing a tax of one-twenty-fourth ...of 1 per cent each month upon the capital of any ...bank, association, company, or corporation, and ...on the capital employed by any person ...in the business of banking beyond the ...average amount invested in United States ...bonds, provided the words "capital employed" ...shall not include money borrowed or received ...from day to day in the usual course of business ...from any person not a partner or interested in a ...bank association or firm. The bill also amends ...Sec. 5,214 of the Revised Statutes, so it shall ...read: "In lieu of all existing taxes, except as ...imposed in Sec. 5,182, every association shall ...pay to the Treasurer of the United States in ...January and July a duty of one-quarter of 1 per ...cent each half year on the average amount of ...capital stock beyond the amount invested in ...United States bonds."

POSTAL SAVINGS.

Representative Manning introduced a bill to ...establish a postal savings depository as a branch ...of the Post-Office Department. The bill author-...izes the establishment of a chief office at Wash-...ington, to be called the Central Depository, the ...money deposited to be deemed public moneys, ...and the credit of the United States is pledged ...for the repayment, with interest not exceeding ...2 per centum per annum, of all sums deposited. ...The Postmaster-General is authorized to open ...at suitable money-order post-offices sub-de-...positories for the receipt on deposit of money in ...sums not less than $1 nor more than $500 in the ...aggregate to the credit of any single depositor. ...The deposits are not to be subject to State ...or local taxation, nor to seizure for debt. The ...bill directs the Secretary of the Treasury from ...time to time to invest money that may be re-...ceived into the Treasury under this act in United ...States bonds bearing interest at less than 3 per ...cent; or, if such bonds are not available, the Sec-...retary of the Treasury is authorized to invest ...the surplus moneys in the most approved State, ...county, or municipal bonds obtainable.

VEST'S SPEECH.

A MERRY AFFAIR.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—There was in the ...morning hours a very bright and witty speech ...by Vest, of Missouri. It was so full of bright ...wit and delicate sarcasm, as Bayard termed it, ...that it kept every Senator in his seat, and before ...Vest had finished it he a number of times ...caused very hearty and general laughter. Vest ...was severe in opposition to Hoar's woman-suf-...frage resolution. This resolution created a ...special committee, to which the petitions relat-...ing to the subject might be referred. Vest had ...moved as an amendment that the subject should ...be referred to the Committee on Revolutionary ...Claims, which had little to do, and whose lethargy ...might be aroused by such reference. His sar-...castic and witty argument was in favor of this ...motion. The speech was very bright, and it

KEPT SENATOR HOAR ON NEEDLES

...during its delivery, and at one time the ridicule ...which the brilliant Senator from Missouri ...brought into play seemed likely to defeat the ...resolution. However, Senator Hoar rallied his ...party defense, and the Democratic side, seeing ...what was being done, at once made it a party ...matter. The yeas and nays were demanded, and ...all the Democrats present excepting Ransom, ...Johnston, and Jones of Florida voted to send ...the woman-suffragists to the Committee on ...Revolutionary Claims, a committee which is a ...nurse that cares not for it. Senator Bayard ...made a very urgent speech in favor of sending ...the woman-suffragists to the Judiciary Com-...mittee, his idea being that the whole subject in-...volved a most serious legal question. Mean-...while the morning hour expired before a vote ...was taken, so the third time the resolution went ...over.

FROM THE "RECORD."

To the Western Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Mr. Hoar's reso-...lution for a special committee on the rights of ...woman was taken up.

Mr. Vest, in opposition, said the Senate now ...had forty-one committees, with messengers and ...clerks, one-half of whom, without exaggeration, ...were literally without employment. He had ...been informed by the Sergeant-at-Arms that he ...must have, if the resolution were adopted, six ...additional messengers. The Committees on Ter-...ritories and Privileges and Election were open ...to inquiry, and had now before them a single ...proposition on the subject. There was another ...committee that would do ample justice to it, one ...to which he referred most respectfully—that ...on Revolutionary Claims. If there was any rev-...olutionary claim in this country that should ...go to that committee it was that ...for woman suffrage [feather]; for ...it would revolutionize society, religion, ...and woman's proper position in the family circle ...as wife and mother, for she was the, and not a ...politician and a voter. As the Committee on ...Revolutionary Claims has had before it but one ...bill in thirty years it would be able to give the ...woman suffragists its undivided attention, and ...they would there find at least one undisturbed ...haven of rest. The committee was, in parlia-...mentary life, typical of

THAT ECSTATIC VERSE

...in Watts' hymn:

There shall I bathe my weary soul
In seas of heavenly rest,
And not a wave of trouble roll
Across my peaceful breast.

That committee needed today, in the Western ...phrase, some "stirring up," and what could ...stir up this most venerable and respectable in-...stitution more than a delegation of the "strong-...minded," with short hair and shorter skirts, in-...vading its dignified realm and demanding atten-...tion while it illustrated the ecstasies of female ...suffrage? [Renewed merriment.] Moreover, if ...these ladies could even succeed in obtaining, in ...the providence of God, a report from that com-...mittee, it would end the question forever, be-...cause the public at large, himself included, in ...view of that exhibition of the power of female ...blandishment and female influence, would sur-...render at once, and female suffrage would be-...come constitutional and legal. Mr. Vest finally ...moved to refer the whole subject to that com-...mittee. Not agreed to—ayes, 21; noes, 31.

Mr. Bayard moved to refer the resolution to ...the Committee on the Judiciary. He regarded ...woman suffrage as presenting a question which ...struck at the very roots of the present organ-...ization of society. It was a many-sided one, and ...some of its aspects were not fitting for discus-...sion in a public forum like the Senate.

KEIFER.

A BRILLIANT RECEPTION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—A complimentary ...reception under the auspices of the Ohio Re-...publican Association was given Speaker Keifer ...tonight at Masonic Temple. The hall was ...crowded, and on the platform was a large ...number of distinguished Legislators and public ...men. Judge Lawrence, Chairman of the asso-...ciation, delivered an address of welcome to ...Speaker Keifer, in which he extended to that ...gentleman the hearty congratulations of all its ...members for his elevation to the exalted position ...of Speaker of the House of Representatives, and ...referred to the participation by so many dis-...tinguished officials in the reception as evidence ...of their unreserved concurrence in this con-...gratulatory proceeding. He complimented Gen. ...Keifer on his useful and distinguished record as ...a soldier, lawyer, and legislator, and assured ...him of the confidence shared by all Ohioans that ...in the new field of usefulness to which he had ...been called he would earn and receive the ...plaudits of his countrymen.

"FOR THE FIRST TIME OHIO HAS BEEN HONORED

...by the privilege of furnishing one of her ...native-born sons as officer elected for the full ...term to preside over the deliberations of the ...popular branch of Congress, but, speaking as a ...native of Ohio, I utter what I believe is the ...sentiment of her people, that the pride they feel ...in the bestowal of official distinction upon any ...citizen of their State is in no sense local. It is ...not bounded by State lines. It is not for Ohio, ...but for the Union and for mankind. Whatever ...of men we have or of services we can render, ...they are for the country and for humanity, ...and Ohio is only concerned that the men shall ...be of the best and the services of the most use-...ful and beneficent; wherever the Republic is, ...Ohio will be there, and if any of her sons are ...called by the whole people to lead, they will ...obey the summons; if they are called to follow, ...they will serve and obey men who lead, no mat-...ter whence they come, and share the glory ...which is a heritage of no State, but the common ...property of Americanship and American his-...tory."

SPEAKER KEIFER RESPONDED

...briefly, expressing his gratitude toward the ...members of the association and the throng of ...distinguished gentlemen who had joined in the ...gracious reception to him. His vanity, he said, ...would not permit him to accept the brilliant re-...ception as a personal compliment to himself, ...but he accepted it more particularly as an honor ...to the high office he had been chosen to fill. He ...assured his hearers that he would endeavor to ...discharge his duties satisfactorily to the ...gentlemen who had done him the high ...honor of electing him Speaker. In con-...clusion he said: "I feel that the honors ...extended to me tonight are more than I am ...worthy of. I feel impressed with a belief that I am ...simply on trial, and that the time to extend such ...honors to a man is after he shall have success-...fully performed any high duty cast upon him. ...If I shall satisfy those who have taken the re-...sponsibility of electing me to the Speakership I ...shall feel truly glad."

BRIEF CONGRATULATORY SPEECHES

...were made by Gov. Foster of Ohio, Senators ...Stevenson, Pendleton, and Logan, ex-Speaker ...Randall, Representatives Hiscock, Robeson, ...Reed, Orth, Dunnell and others.

TREASURY INVESTIGATION.

A LENGTHY SESSION OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The Sub-Com-...mittee of the Senate Committee on Appropria-...tions which has in charge the investigation of ...matters connected with Senator Sherman's ad-...ministration of the Secretaryship of the Treas-...ury had a somewhat lengthy session this morn-...ing. One witness, a man named Bissell, who ...has been taking a good deal of certain im-...portant facts in his possession, was examined by ...the committee, and the report of the Pitney in-...vestigation in the Treasury was read. It is pro-...posed at the next meeting of the committee to ...call Pitney himself and place him under exam-...ination. Treasurer Gilfillan will also be exam-...ined as to his knowledge of matters connected ...with the supposed workings of the alleged Sher-...man ring in the Treasury, and

COL. HINTON,

...the editor of the *Gazette*, published here, which ...has given considerable space to the allegations ...of corruption, will be examined as to the facts, ...if any, in his possession. One of the Demo-...cratic members of the Committee of Investiga-...tion said tonight that thus far little had been ...developed, although the investigation might yet ...result in the exposure of a ring organized in the ...department for the purpose of corruption. ...There was no disposition apparent, he said, on ...the part of any member of the committee

TO WHITEWASH THE CASE,

...and there had been up to the present time no ...disagreement as to the mode of procedure, the ...evident desire of all being to get the truth if ...possible. With respect to the report of the ...Pitney investigators, he said if it contained all ...the testimony taken and all the facts brought ...out there had been a great deal of talk about a ...very small matter. The further investigation ...of the committee alone would prove whether or ...not anything had been withheld in the report of ...the Pitney investigators or neglected in their ...examination of the Custodian's case.

CHICAGO.

SHEPARD AND BEVERIDGE AT WORK.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Daniel Shepard ...and Gov. Beveridge have been studying the si-...tuation here today, and appear to be disposed to ...do what they can for Logan's candidate for the ...Collectorship. The Representatives claim to be ...more certain every day that Dan Shepard is ...Senator Logan's candidate, but it is as difficult to ...ascertain Logan's purposes as it is for all the ...Congressmen to ascertain what the views of the ...President are. There never has been such a ...sphinx in the White House as Gen. Arthur. He ...is polite and courteous to every one, but he ...resolutely keeps his own counsel, and the Con-...gressmen from all the States are making great ...complaint that

THEY CANNOT FIND OUT ANYTHING AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

The President has taken pains to inform him-...self as to the condition of affairs in Chicago, and ...a gentleman who called to see him upon general ...matters was surprised at the familiarity which ...the President manifested with local Chicago ...politics and with the names of the local poli-...ticians. He is pretty well acquainted with what ...may be called the geography of the contest for ...the Chicago Collectorship, and has a great deal ...in writing—more than perhaps the Congressmen ...know—as to the record, merits, and capabilities ...of the different persons who have been named ...for that office. It is not expected that a nomi-...nation will be made this week, and, as it is probable ...that Congress will adjourn on Wednesday of ...next week for two weeks, it is very possible that ...the President may prefer that

THE WHOLE SUBJECT SHALL GO OVER

...until the New Year, or that he may choose ...to make the appointment after the Congress-...men have gone and he has had an opportunity ...to digest the manifold views which have been ...presented to him. Gil Pierce, of the *Inter-Ocean*, ...had an interview with the President this after-...noon in behalf of William Penn Nixon, and Mr. ...Pierce probably did not know any more after ...the interview than he did before. Mr. Farwell ...had an interview with the President tonight. ...There are reports that Mr. Farwell for a second ...choice will support Nixon, although he has ...named A. M. Babcock and other persons as those ...to whom he would be willing that the office ...should be given.

ILLINOIS.

MEETING OF THE DELEGATION TO TALK ABOUT THE DOORKEEPER'S APPOINTMENTS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The Illinois ...delegation met tonight at the house of Repre-...sentative Dietrich Smith to consider the ques-...tion of appointments under the Doorkeeper. ...There has been a misapprehension as to the ...position of the delegation on the subject. The ...Doorkeeper tendered to the delegation three ...offices—one at $900, one at $1,000, and one at ...$1,200. The delegation have made this statement ...to the Doorkeeper, that if he wants to make the ...appointments himself, and select the best men ...from his own acquaintances, they will make ...no objection, but if he proposes to assign three ...offices to the State delegation as such they are ...not disposed to accept these three minor ap-...pointments when he has a hundred and thirty-...six offices in his gift.

BLAINE GETS IT.

HE WILL BE GARFIELD'S FUNERAL ORATOR.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Blaine has been ...invited by the Garfield Memorial Committee to ...deliver the chief oration when the memorial ...services are held in the House of Representa-...tives, as they will be soon after the new year.

POSTMASTERS.

CONFIRMED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The Senate in ...executive session confirmed the following Post-...masters:

Ohio—C. E. Darlington, West Liberty; F. E. ...Bishop, Elyria; S. E. Alman, Bellefontaine; ...George W. Wameldorf, Middleport; A. Bigoas, ...Canton; W. S. Kralz, Ravenna; Levi Bowman, ...Malet Creek.

Tennessee—William H. Wisner, Shelbyville.

Missouri—C. W. Janeson, Memphis.

Wisconsin—B. F. Wyne, Plattsville; M. H. ...Sanouy, Fort Atchinson; Mary W. Briggs, Mauston; J. E. Flint, River Falls; John Swarthout, ...Columbus; J. R. West, Evansville; Charles ...Fransy, Kenosha; James Irish, Clinton.

Iowa—Charles Leighton, Oskaloosa; W. P. ...Moulton, Stuart; A. P. Lowery, State Centre; ...Edward Knout, Waverly; J. F. Meyers, Denison; ...A. K. Baily, Decorah; W. S. Leisure, Grinnell; ...N. M. Page, Fort Dodge; J. B. Blake, Avoca.

THE NOMINATIONS

IN FULL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The President ...sent the following nominations to the Senate: ...Benjamin Harris Brewster, of Pennsylvania, to ...be Attorney-General of the United States, and ...Nathaniel A. Adams to be Pension Agent at St. ...Louis.

Postmasters—Joseph B. Venard, Macomb, Ill.; ...Gustavus A. Pfrangle, Aurora, Ill.; John Q. ...Adams, Marengo, Ill.; Albert C. Barker, Waukegan, ...Ill.; William E. Bowman, Ottawa, Ill.; ...John E. LeBaron, Elgin, Ill.; Richard D. Smith, ...Pekin, Ill.; Joseph F. Saxton, Ashtabula, O.

Collectors of Customs—Alfred P. Howard, ...District of Portsmouth, N. H.; George W. Rowe, ...District of Cuyahoga, O.; Seth M. Sawyer, Dis-...trict of Apalachicola, Fla.; Joseph Hirst, Dis-...trict of St. Marks, Fla.

Indian Agents—Henry J. Armstrong, Crow ...Agency, Montana; A. L. Cook, Fort Hall Agency, ...Idaho; Jesse H. Fleming, Monquis Pueblo ...Agency, Arizona.

Surveyor of Customs—Wallace R. Finch, La ...Crosse, Wis.

PERU.

CHRISTIANCY'S LETTER RECOGNIZING THE CALDERON GOVERNMENT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—In the answer to ...the note on the subject by Secretary Blaine, ex-...Minister Christiancy states that he did not au-...thorize the statement in the recently-published ...interview that Blaine's official dispatch to him ...of May 9 did not contain the first paragraph as ...recently printed. Christiancy adds that he said ...to one interviewer "that he was only authorized ...by me to say the Provisional Government was ...recognized by me under instructions from the ...State Department, and against my own judg-...ment, without any other statement whatever." ...In a postscript, Christiancy says: "Having ex-...amined the record of the letter in question, I ...have not the slightest doubt that it contained ...the first paragraph as printed." Secretary ...Blaine states that Christiancy never had any in-...struction to recognize the Calderon Government ...except on certain conditions, the fulfillment of ...which by Peru was left to be determined by ...Christiancy. Following is

THE LETTER

...in which Christiancy recognized the Calderon ...Government;

MR. MINISTER: My Government having been ...informed of the organization at Magdalena of ...what, in your circular note to me of April 30 ...last, is styled a Provisional Government under ...the Presidency of Don Francisco Garica Cal-...deron, has given me instructions in substance ...that, if I find, first, that such Provisional Gov-...ernment is supported by the weight of charac-...ter and influence of Peru; second, that it is en-...deavoring to restore constitutional government, ...with a view both to internal order and negotia-...tions with Chili for peace, then I am to recog-...nize it as the Provisional Government. Believ-...ing from the best evidence I can obtain that ...each of these hypothetical propositions is suffi-...ciently established in the affirmative, I there-...fore formally express such recognition on the ...part of the Government of the United States.

POSTMASTER-GENERALSHIP

NOT YET KNOWN WHO WILL SUCCEED MR. JAMES—MR. CHAFFEE AND THE STAR SERVICE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The departure of ...Mr. James from the Cabinet directs attention to ...those who are regarded as candidates for the of-...fice. The President has been very successful in ...concealing his plans regarding this place. The ...candidates who are mentioned are ex-Senator ...Chaffee, ex-Senator Howe, and Chauncey I. ...Filley [old third-term plugs], and each of these ...has supporters who believe that he will be suc-...cessful. Mr. James has begun a great work in ...the department, and the people desire that his ...successor shall carry it on. It will not be an ...easy task to do this. The records show that Mr. ...Chaffee was quite liberal with his recommenda-...tions for those changes upon the ring star routes ...by which so much of the people's money was ...fraudulently taken by the ring contractors. ...His action in relation to these charges ...does not by any means show that he ...was in any way acquainted with the ...fraudulent and unnecessary character of the ...service. The recommendations were, doubtless, ...made in a perfunctory way, as many other ...similar recommendations were made by other ...Senators and Congressmen. It may be that the ...results of the star-route investigation have

OPENED MR. CHAFFEE'S EYES,

...and shown him the nature of the frauds which ...were committed by Gen. Brady and the con-...tractors with the innocent and thoughtless as-...sistance given by Senators and Congressmen. ...Mr. Chaffee's recommendations were not in ac-...cordance with the business principles which the ...people desire to see maintained in the adminis-...tration of the Contract Office. It may be that if ...the opportunity should once more be offered he ...would not again make those recommendations. ...If his present views of star-route service are in ...accordance with his recommendations made ...three years ago it cannot be expected that, if ...placed at the head of the department, he would ...take that view of the star-route service which ...has led Mr. James to accomplish a great reform. ...There are some indications, however, that the ...President will take into consideration persons ...outside of the group of three mentioned above ...whose names have not been used in connection ...with the office.

THE SPOILS SYSTEM CURSE.

CASES IN ILLUSTRATION.

New York Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Republican members ...of the House of Representatives are greatly ex-...ercised in mind these days about two matters: ...first, whether they will secure desirable and sat-...isfactory committee assignments, and, second, ...whether they will be "fairly" treated in the ..."distribution of the House patronage," re-...garding the patronage, there has already been ...considerable grumbling on the part of some of ...the Representatives, who feel that "the ...claims" of their respective States have not re-...ceived proper consideration; and their discon-...tent has been visibly aggravated by the persev-...ering not to say pertinacious importunities of ...such of their constituents as are anxious to ...serve their country as doorkeepers, messengers, ...or in a still humbler capacity.

The army of applicants is neither so large nor ...so hungry as the horde which gathered in Wash-...ington six years ago, when, for the first time ...since the outbreak of the Rebellion, the Demo-...cratic party had patronage at the Capitol to be-...stow. That was indeed a hungry multitude, and ...the "five loaves and two fishes" which the ...Democrats had to offer would not, without a ...miracle, satisfy its ravenous appetite. But the ...case is bad enough now. Yesterday, while Sen-...ator Pendleton was making his speech in favor ...of civil-service reform, a Western Senator with-...in sound of his voice related to a *Tribune* corre-...spondent

THE FOLLOWING INCIDENT:

"A few days ago my door bell rang, and a serv-...ant brought in a well-grown lad whom I at once ...recognized as a former page in our State Legis-...lature. He told me that he had come to Wash-...ington and got a place as messenger in ...the Capitol. I said to him that there was not ...one chance in a thousand of his obtaining that ...or any other place, and that the best thing he ...could do was to go straight back home. He is a ...good boy, full of ambition, and I believe ...about the sole support of his mother and her ...two children who are younger than he. He ...seemed completely broken down by what I said ...to him, and the tears began to trickle down his ...rolling down his cheeks. I felt very sorry for ...him, and asked him if he had money enough to ...pay his way back home. He replied that he had, ...and went away. The other day he came back ...again and said that he had heard from his ...mother, and learned that if he were ...back at home he could get employment ...in a wholesale house; 'but,' said he, 'I have no ...money left to pay my expenses.' I asked him ...how much that would cost, and he said that his ...railroad-ticket would cost $17. I gave him that ...and enough more to keep him in food during the ...journey, and he went off to take the first train, ...the happiest mortal I have seen for a long time.

"But this system is all wrong," continued the ...Senator thoughtfully. "I have paid out in ...money since last March more than the amount ...of my salary for two months to relieve cases of ...distress due to this practice of making Govern-...ment appointments depend upon political favor ...and influence. I do not care for the money, for ...I am able to lose it; but the great majority of ...Congressmen and Senators are poor men com-...paratively, and cannot stand such a drain upon ...their income. It is not strange, then, that they, ...in order to relieve themselves of a burden, ...saddle it, if they can, upon the Government, to ...the detriment, no doubt, of the public service in ...many instances."

NOTES.

BANKRUPTCY.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The Special Com-...mittee on the Bankruptcy law will hear argu-...ments from M. S. Wise, representing the special ...committee of New York merchants and bank-...ers, tomorrow morning. This committee, which ...met at the Merchants' Club in New York Thurs-...day, favors what is known as Judge Lowell's ...bill, which is a codified special bankruptcy law. ...It has been incorrectly stated that Senator Ing-...alls had introduced a bankruptcy bill. The ...fact is, the special committee has not even ...agreed upon any bill.

THE MAXWELL LAND-GRANT FRAUD.

Further examination of the papers in the ...Maxwell land grant, wherein settlers claim that ...a grant which originally did not exceed 100,000 ...acres has been fraudulently extended to cover ...2,000,000 acres, shows that when the Surveyor-...General of Colorado undertook to follow the ...lines of the fraudulent survey made by officials ...of the Land Office in New Mexico it could not be ...made to close by eleven miles. Secretary Kirk-...wood, in a letter to the Department of Justice ...recommending that the prayer of the settlers be ...granted and suit be instituted as requested, ...takes very strong ground against the validity of ...the grant, and reflects severely upon all the of-...ficials who were concerned in it.

W. M. FRENCH.

By letters received in Washington today by ...members of his family, it appears that the health ...of W. M. French, Secretary of the Chicago Aca-...demy of Fine Arts, who was taken to Minneapolis ...some week ago apparently much broken down, is ...rapidly improving, and that in a short time he will ...be able to resume work. His friends here think it ...probable that he will make a trip to Europe be-...fore returning to his position in the Academy of ...Fine Arts.

SECRETARY FOLGER

...having ascertained that there is a class of clerks ...at the Treasury paid from what is known as the ..."lapse fund," and that that fund is almost ex-...hausted, gave orders today to have fifty female ...clerks of this class discharged at the end of the ...present month. Many of them are very poor, ...with dependent relatives.

PATTERSON.

The friends of the late Capt. Carlisle P. Pat-...terson, of the Coast Survey, met tomorrow at ...the Capitol to hear the report of a committee ...appointed to arrange for a public demonstra-...tion of regard. Prof. Henry's memory was thus ...honored by a memorial service at the Capitol ...and the cost of printing the published account ...was nearly $12,000.

NEW MEXICO.

The Senate passed a bill legalizing the last ...election for members of the Territorial Council ...and Representatives in New Mexico. That elec-...tion was not in accordance with the laws of the ...United States, and Gov. Sheldon had urged that ...enactment of remedial legislation, but it is ...doubtful whether the bill can be got through the ...House before the holidays. The Legislature is ...to meet on the first Monday in January next, ...but, without this legislation, it cannot legally ...assemble.

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AMUSEMENTS.

Grand Opera-House.
Clark street, opposite New Court-House. Engagement of the Emma Abbott Grand English Opera Company. Afternoon, "Paul and Virginia." Evening, "Olivette."

Haverly's Theatre.
Monroe street, between Clark and Dearborn. Engagement of the Emelie Melville Opera Company. Afternoon, "Bells of Corneville." Evening, "Mme. Favart."

McVicker's Theatre.
Madison street, between State and Dearborn. Engagement of John T. Raymond. "Fresh, the American." Afternoon and evening.

Hooley's Theatre.
Randolph street between Clark and La Salle. Engagement of John A. Stevens. "Unknown." Afternoon and evening.

Olympic Theatre.
Clark street, near Lake and Randolph. Engagement of Frank I. Frayne. "Muldoon's Blunders." Afternoon and evening.

Academy of Music.
Halsted street, near Madison. West Side. Variety entertainment. Afternoon and evening.

Lyceum Theatre.
Desplaines street, near Madison. West Side. Variety entertainment.

Criterion Theatre.
Corner of Sedgwick and Division streets. Variety entertainment. Afternoon and evening.

Hershey Hall.
Madison street, between State and Dearborn. Exhibition of models.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1881.

THE assault upon Bourbonism seems to be breaking out all along the line. Virginia having set the example, Georgia, Mississippi, and Texas are preparing to have a shy at it, and now even in North Carolina, where politics are considerably complicated between two or three factions of Republicans, the temperance parties, the county government, and the State Centralization men, there is a strong effort being made to bring about a union upon the basis of opposition to the Bourbon Democracy. Dr. John J. Mott, the Chairman of the State Executive Committee, has expressed the opinion that a liberal policy can be carried out in North Carolina as it has been in Virginia, and is working to that end. It is apparent that the Solid South is fast breaking up.

ONE embezzling bank employé appears to be very like another after all. The teller of the Poughkeepsie bank, who imitated the Newark Cashier in a humble way, had been living in a very rapid manner, and accommodating friends without much reference to security. There was a difference, however, between the Poughkeepsie and Newark Directors. The latter knew nothing whatever of the condition of their bank, but the former knew that their teller was living too fast, and yet they allowed him to have the freest control of the bank's funds and books, so that he could steal the one and hide it in the other. Under such circumstances, and having Directors who were accommodating enough to prepare the way for his thefts, it is not much wonder that he stole. In this he had an advantage over most embezzlers, as the facilities were furnished him at first hand. And yet the good, easy Directors appear to be surprised!

THE bill of Senator Hoar for the education of the Indians aims in the right direction, but does it not go too far and include too much? Under his bill it is proposed to educate all the Indian children west of the Mississippi River at a cost of $200 per head. As Indian pappooses and children west of the river are pretty numerous, this wholesale scheme of education would open up an opportunity for a general advance all along the line upon the Treasury that would speedily become appalling. There is an easier and cheaper way of teaching the young Indian ideas to shoot. If the resources of the Indian schools now in existence were so extended that they could select a goodly number of the smarter young Indians and educate them, and then send them out West to educate their fellows under white supervision, the result intended by Senator Hoar would be secured at infinitly less expense; but if we are going to provide Indians with education in the same wholesale way that we have been providing them with supplies we shall only open up new avenues for Treasury raids, and not educate them either.

ONE of the Chicago Congressmen is said to have in preparation a bill for the increase of the clerical force in the Chicago Custom-House and the creation of the useless offices of Surveyor and Naval Axent. The pretext for such a movement is that Baltimore, New Orleans, and Portland have, in proportion to the amount of collections, a very much larger clerical force in their customs service than Chicago has. But the allegation is not sufficient. Most of the imports at the seaports are by ocean-going vessels, and there is a special danger of smuggling which has to be guarded against. The Chicago collections are almost wholly on account of goods brought here in bonded cars, and the risk of evasion has been reduced to the minimum. Moreover, the facts do not go to prove that Chicago needs a larger clerical force; on the contrary, they tend to show that Baltimore, Portland, New Orleans, and the other seaboard cities have more employés in their custom-houses than they need. We have no doubt that this is true. The custom-houses in those cities are filled with barnacles and useless sinecures that ought to be dispensed with. The Government employés work about half time for twice the pay that they could get in any private business. There is no reason why more room should be made in the Chicago Custom-House for ward bummers and political pets, but there is every reason why the number of such creatures in the Government service at the East should be materially reduced.

THE Bourbons in Virginia have attempted to break the force of their defeat in the late election by claiming that almost all of the Readjuster vote was cast by the negroes. But the official tables printed elsewhere this morning show the fallacy of this claim. Some of the heaviest white counties give decided majorities for Cameron, the Readjuster candidate. Thus, Buchanan, in which there are but thirty-three negroes to 5,061 whites, gives a majority of 345 for Cameron, and casts but thirty votes for Daniel. Fairfax, in which the whites are two to one; Floyd, in which they are ten to one; Grayson, in which they are more than twelve to one; Greene, in which they are four to one; Lee, in which they are fourteen to one; Page, in which they are eight to one; Patrick, in which they are five to one; Rockingham, in which they are eight to one; Russell, Scott, Smyth, Shenandoah, Tazewell, Wythe, and other counties in which the whites have a great preponderance, were carried by the Readjusters. The Bourbons carried by large majorities a number of counties in which the races were almost equally divided in numbers. Most of the city counties as a rule were carried by the Bourbons, and the rural districts came up with large majorities for the Readjuster candidate. The total vote was 211,230, or about one in seven of the population—a low ratio, showing the influence of the poll-tax. The total vote was 1,400 less than that cast in the Presidential election of 1880. Undoubtedly a majority of the negroes who voted gave their ballots to the Readjuster candidates, but thousands of them were disfranchised. A little less than one-half of the whole Readjuster vote was cast by white men.

THE PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION IN CONGRESS.

There are three propositions before the National Senate affecting the Presidential succession in case the Executive is disabled. The one offered by Senator Garland, of Arkansas, proposes to substitute the Secretary of State and other Cabinet officers instead of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, as the law now provides, as entitled to succeed to the office of Chief Magistrate when there shall be neither President nor Vice-President able to act. Senator Beck's (of Kentucky) resolution instructs the Judiciary Committee to report whether the present laws providing for the succession are constitutional or adequate. Finally, a resolution introduced by Senator Maxey instructs that committee to report a new bill to cover all emergencies arising from the removal, death, resignation, or inability of the President and Vice-President. These propositions form the basis of the discussion which has been carried on in the Senate during the past two or three days, though Mr. Garland's bill, we believe, was under immediate consideration.

The speeches delivered by Messrs. Beck, Maxey, Anthony, Garland, and Jones were able and learned, so far as they touched the historical phase of the subject; but, at the same time, they seemed to be tame and inconsequential so far as they were designed to suggest an enduring and satisfactory solution of the troubles which may grow out of the situation as it stands.

The question raised by Senator Garland's bill seems to be entirely unnecessary, and if settled either way such settlement will not remove the most perplexing element of uncertainty, which is in regard to inability. The Constitution provides that "the Congress may by law provide for the case of removal, death, resignation, or inability both of the President and Vice-President, declaring what officer shall then act as President, and such officer shall act accordingly until the disability be removed or a President shall be elected." In conformance with this authority, Congress passed a law in 1792 providing that, "in case of removal, death, resignation, or inability of both the President and Vice-President, the President of the Senate, or, if there is none, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the time being, shall act as President until the disability is removed or a President elected." Senator Garland's bill, substituting the Secretary of State, Secretary of the Treasury, and Secretary of War for the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, is based upon the theory that neither of the last two is an *officer* of the United States as contemplated by the Constitution.

It seems something like folly to raise such a question at this late day. The present law was passed only five years after the adoption of the Constitution, and it is very evident that the lawyers of that day, personally familiar with the meaning and intent of the constitutional phrases, regarded the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House as *officers* of the United States. The theory of our Government warrants the same conclusion, for the Government consists of an Executive, a legislative, and a judiciary system, and an officer in one department is as much an officer of the Government as an officer in either of the other departments. Moreover, the provision that the Vice-President shall preside over the Senate makes it a very natural sequence that the presiding officer chosen by the Senate when the Vice-President is acting as President shall become the reversionary legatee of the Presidential succession. The statement that a Senator or a Representative cannot be impeached, as was decided at an early day, is of no effect, because, when the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House becomes President, he cuts loose from his previous legislative function and assumes the Executive function: for the constitution says explicitly that "such officer [*i. e.*, the officer appointed by Congress] *shall* act accordingly until the disability be removed or a President shall be elected."

There is no object in substituting Cabinet officers for the officers now designated as entitled to the Presidential succession, but many objections to such a change which it is not necessary to urge at this time. The trouble apprehended during President Garfield's illness was that the Vice-President's death would leave the office of President vacant, because there was no President of the Senate and no Speaker of the House at that time. If it be thought desirable to guard against a repetition of that somewhat remote contingency, it may be well to pass a bill supplementing the present law, and devolving the office of President upon the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, or the Secretary of War, in the order named, when there shall be neither a President of the Senate nor a Speaker of the House at the time both the President and Vice-President are dead or constitutionally disabled. Such a proposition would be much more to the point than that submitted by Senator Garland, which has merely had the effect to bring on a long and useless debate over an abstract question of no great consequence.

The really important question for Congressional determination is that of "inability." Mr. Garland and some other members of the Senate seem to think that Congress has no authority to decide what shall constitute inability or to prescribe how such inability shall be determined, because the Constitution omits to require specifically that Congress shall do so; and, also, that it will be wiser to allow affairs to drift along into a state of doubt, confusion, and dismay at some future period rather than determine now how a case of inability shall be met and treated. These are very remarkable views, and they do not comport with the popular notion or the historic precedents of Congressional duty. The Constitution makes it the duty of Congress "to pass all laws necessary and proper to carry into execution all powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States." One of the powers thus vested in the legislative branch of the Government is the authority to designate an officer who shall act as President in the case of "inability" of the President and Vice-President. If the Constitution leaves any doubt as to what is meant by "inability" (and this it plainly does), then it is the duty of Congress to define that inability or to establish some permanent and trustworthy means for ascertaining when it exists. It is obviously better for the peace and welfare of the country that "inability," when it arises, may be authoritatively determined in order that the proper officer may discharge the duties of the Presidency than it is to leave that condition a matter of uncertainty and subject to intrigue or fraud. It is likewise the duty of Congress to prescribe at the same time a means for ascertaining when "inability" ceases, if it is of a character to be cured, and how the President may then recover the office which has been taken from him during the state of "inability"; for the Constitution declares that the Vice-President, or the officer designated by Congress, "shall act as President *until the disability be removed.*"

It is to be hoped that the Senators, in future discussions, will indulge in less historic and statutory lore, and bring more common sense to bear upon this subject.

THE SANE GUITEAU UNMASKED.

At last Guiteau stands unmasked before the jury sitting to try him for his life. The testimony of Gen. Reynolds, of Chicago, lays bare the assasin's insanity trick. It opens the operations of Guiteau's mind to the gaze of the jury, so that they may be read as if recorded in the printed page of a book.

The damning evidence of Gen. Reynolds convulsed Guiteau with ungovernable rage mixed with terror. With the keen insight of a sane and logical mind he saw at once the whole fabric of his cunning defense melt away like mist before the rising sun. And his hate for the man who had woven the web about him broke forth in awful imprecations. His eyes blazing with rage and his whole form instinct with ferocity, he exclaimed: "This is your work, Corkhill. God Almighty will curse you for this; He will strike you dead as He did Ananias and Sapphira."

But the mouthing and the cursing of the villain do not weaken the force of the testimony; there it stands confronting him from this day forward to the end, and refuting once for all, now and forever, his theory of inspiration as the cause of the "removal" of Garfield. "I visited the prisoner in jail two days after the shooting," swears Gen. Reynolds, "and the prisoner asked me, 'Where were you *on the day of the assassination?*'"

"Did he use the word assassination?" queried Corkhill. "Yes; that is the precise word he used," replied the witness. And he referred to the memorandum of the fact made at the time to refresh and fortify his memory. "He never spoke in reference to any divine inspiration at this interview," proceeded the witness. "But after this," he added, "at subsequent interviews, he always spoke of the 'murder' as the 'removal' of the President."

This is not all, however. The witness swore that at a subsequent interview "he read to the prisoner what Grant and Conkling and some of his [prisoner's] alleged friends said of him [Guiteau] and his crime, and he, walking the floor excitedly, said: 'What does it mean? I would have staked my life that they would have defended me. They know they wanted Garfield removed, and yet they denounce me, and can only see in it the bloody act.'" The witness continued: "He asked me, referring to Grant and other prominent Stalwarts, 'Do they know I have stated that I have no accomplices?' and I told him yes. He seemed dazed, and said, repeating the words several times, 'Most astounding! Most astounding!'"

This is all of the testimony of Gen. Reynolds that it is necessary to reproduce. It shows that Guiteau's mind was as clear as it was devilishly wicked. It shows his motives and his expectations. He assumed, in the utter depravity of his own heart, that the Stalwarts who disagreed with Garfield desired his death! In a word, he applied to the subject in hand the same reasoning which had controlled his whole life. Desiring a certain end, he had no more scruple in the use of means to accomplish it than the Devil of theology has in the use of means to an end. Note the subtlety of his reasoning: "They know they wanted Garfield removed, and yet they denounce me, and can only see in it the bloody act." He is so morally self-perverted that he cannot comprehend the mind that halts short of a desire in the presence of the commission of the crime necessary to its accomplishment. "They can only see in it the bloody act!" he exclaims, "while I see the rich fruits of it." He knows the act is "bloody," a crime. But he desires something which he can only obtain by committing the crime, and he plans and executes it. And he is "astounded" to learn that others are more scrupulous than he is. "Do they know I have stated that I have no accomplices?" queries the "astounded" assasin. He reasoned ingeniously from the standpoint of that conscienceless depravity which by long habit had become ingrained in his corrupted nature, and said to himself: "If I as use nobody those who benefit by my crime will protect me." And he stood aghast when informed that the Stalwarts were not less shocked at, and not less pronounced in denunciation of, "the bloody act" than Garfield's most intimate political friends. When he realized that he stood alone; that however, in due course of the Constitution and the law, men might benefit by his "bloody act," they would still abhor it, and judge it even more severely than those who deplored it more deeply. Then he shrank from the horrid words, murder and assasination, and called on the Deity, in whose name he had lied, and deceived, and cheated his way through life, for protection. With awful blasphemy, he sought to transfer to God the responsibility for the crime he but yesterday described by its right name and true character. "I am legally insane," shouted this incarnate fiend; "I was inspired by the Deity to do the bloody deed, and He will protect me."

But all this time the evidence that Guiteau's much-vaunted theory of "divine inspiration"—a theory adopted and enlarged upon by his subtent counsel, and paraded in court by both of them—all this time the evidence that it was an afterthought, a blasphemous device, a trick of impudence, was locked in the breast of Gen. Reynolds, and only Col. Corkhill and the other lawyers of the prosecution knew of its existence. And when this evidence is produced it falls like a thunderbolt upon the miserable assasin's unprotected head. He feels the rope tightening about his neck, and for a moment he recoils trembling and choking. But he quickly rallies, and bursts forth in a torrent of vile epithets. He explodes with impotent rage—"This is your work, Corkhill, and God Almighty will damn you for it; He will strike you dead as He did Ananias and Sapphira." This from the man whose whole life has been a lie, a cheat, and a fraud, crowned by an act of atrocity which made all mankind shrink and shiver with horror.

This outburst of rage is not the act of an insane man; it is the brutal cry of a baffled devil caught at last in the meshes of his own cunningly woven net of defense. The violence of Guiteau's rage is the measure of his acute comprehension of the crushing force of Gen. Reynolds' testimony. How fully he appreciated his force is shown by a later remark: "Nice record you'll have, Reynolds, to come sneaking into my cell to get information to hang me on!" Yes, it will hang him. It tears from under him the last prop of his fraudulent defense, and exposes him, an object of loathing and utter abhorrence, to the scorn and detestation of all mankind.

RELIEF FOR THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

The business of the National Supreme Court has accumulated to such an extent that the cases on the docket now equal four or five years' business. A new suitor must wait that long before he can hope to have his case reached and considered. This state of things amounts practically to a denial of justice. The machine has almost ceased to revolve, and the court is snowed under and suffocated.

The number of Judges to which the court is entitled is nine; there is one vacancy, caused by the death of Judge Clifford; another vacancy practically exists by reason of Judge Hunt's physical and mental infirmities, and Judge Field, of California, is absent in Europe, leaving but six Judges to perform the current labors of the court.

If, however, the bench was full, it would not be half equal to the ever-increasing flood of business imposed upon it, and though there is a general disposition to afford relief to the court, there is a wide difference of opinion as to the best means of doing so. Several plans have been suggested, conspicuous among which is the foolish one of Manning, of Mississippi, who proposes to have three Supreme Courts, one for the "North," one for the "South," and one for the "West"—no judgment of either being final until concurred in by one of the other two courts.

This preposterous sectional plan does not propose any relief to the Supreme Court. It simply provides three little Supreme Courts—giving to any two of them a veto on the other, and involving a hearing of a case in all three courts. Instead of expediting, it is calculated to still further clog, burden, and delay business.

Another plan is to increase the number of Judges, but this will furnish inadequate relief, because, while distributing the labor of writing opinions among a larger number of persons, it will not reduce the time occupied in hearing arguments, and in the discussions of the consultation rooms. Each case requires to be heard by the whole court, and to be determined by the whole court, and the court can only hear one case at a time. And if the court were increased, say, to eighteen or twenty Judges, as some propose, it would become a debating society where time would be fearfully wasted in speeches, contentions, and taking votes. Instead of a rapidly-working court it would become a contentious lyceum.

THE TRIBUNE has repeatedly pointed out that the efficient remedy to relieve the Supreme Court is to reduce the business that comes before it by cutting off a multitudinous class of cases which should properly be determined, if not by the State Supreme Courts, by the Circuit Courts of the United States. The Supreme Court of the Nation should be purely a court before which appeals should only be taken on constitutional questions and points of law. The Constitution sets forth the extent of the "judicial power" of the United States, which power is vested "in one Supreme Court" and in such inferior courts as may be established by Congress; and it further sets forth that in all cases affecting Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, and those in which a State shall be a party, the Supreme Court shall have original jurisdiction; but in all the other cases mentioned the Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction both as to law and fact, with such exceptions and under such regulations as the Congress shall make.

In the matter of appeals to the Supreme Court, therefore, Congress has full power to prescribe in what classes of cases, and under what limitations, this appellate jurisdiction shall be exercised. The Supreme Court is now invaded by appeals from a vast mass of commercial cases which ordinarily should be heard and finally determined in the State courts, but which, because they are controversies between citizens of different States, are brought in the National courts. The use of the United States Courts as collecting agencies is an abuse of what was intended for another purpose, but there is nothing which stands in the way of limiting appeals in all such cases to the final decision in the United States Circuit Courts. At the most, no cases except those of which the Supreme Court has original jurisdiction should be taken to that court, except upon points of law, specially reserved by the Circuit Court for such appeal. The Supreme Court should be relieved from the consideration of points of "fact" in all cases where the facts have already been determined by juries and considered by the District and Circuit Courts. It is the reviewing of the records of these fact cases which has clogged up the Supreme Court and practically destroyed its efficiency and usefulness as a great National tribunal.

The right of appeal to the Supreme Court should be limited in all cases to constitutional questions of law. The questions of mere fact should be finally disposed of in the lower courts; and the questions of law on which appeals should be allowed should be exclusively those arising under the Constitution, treaties, and laws of the United States, and specifically enumerated in the Constitution.

The right of appeal should be limited by the class and character of cases in which the National laws and Constitution are affected, and not by the amount of money involved in the controversy.

The larger States of the Union have found it necessary in order to enable their respective courts of last resort to dispose of the business before them to place limitations on the right of appeal. This has been done by restricting the classes of questions on which appeals can be taken, and by making the decisions of intermediate courts final in all other questions. Were it not for such restriction the Supreme Court in the large States would be overwhelmed and buried out of sight with appeals, as the Supreme Court of the United States is now. Four years ago the Supreme Court of Illinois was two or three years behind its business, and the docket was constantly increasing. Intermediate Appellate Courts were established with final jurisdiction in certain classes of cases, and the Supreme Court has been enabled since then to dispose of the accumulated business, and is prepared to take up new business as it comes in without much delay.

We think it must be obvious that no "one Supreme Court," as the Constitution provides, can hear and determine the ever-increasing appeals, "both as to law and fact," coming up from the courts of thirty-eight States and a dozen Territories. There being too much miscellaneous business for one court, it can only be relieved by weeding out the "fact" business. Thus reduced to appeals in cases and to questions legitimately belonging to the Supreme Court of the United States, that court would find time to gradually overcome its present postponed docket and dispose also of the new cases arising. For this purpose, if necessary, additional Circuit Judges might be appointed, or even a new Appellate Court of limited jurisdiction might be established.

THE Paris correspondent of the London *Times* writes that without exaggeration at no time since Law started his company has speculation been such a rage on the bourse. It extends all over France. In the smallest villages the authorities send the bourse quotations which are publicly posted. The peasants look upon bourse gambling as legitimate, and their savings pour thither in a perfect stream. The same correspondent writes that he has tried in vain to obtain a detailed statement of all the securities negotiated on the bourse and outside of it, with the amounts of their nominal capital, their issue price, and the amount of their present price. From what he says, however, as to the three securities most largely dealt in, a faint idea of the enormous total in negotiation may be had. He says:

Thus the Bank of France has issued 91,250 shares at 1,000 francs, and 91,250 shares at 1,100 francs—that is, 182,500 shares, at an average of 1,050 francs, or a capital of 191,625,000 francs. These shares, which have just fallen, now represent about 1,150 millions. The Suez Canal, with its 400,000 shares of 500 francs and its 100 founder's shares, subdivided first into 1,000 and ultimately into 100,000, together with the *parts civiles*, represents at present prices a capital of 1,300 millions. Lastly, the Union Générale, with a capital first of 50, then 100, and now 150 millions, represents at present prices a capital of 750 millions. Thus, these three companies represent an aggregate of 3,300 millions, while the Credit Foncier would bring up the total to four milliards. It is no exaggeration, but rather below the mark, to say that exclusive of rentes and municipal and departmental loans the bourse securities, including railways, represent at present prices 20 or 25 milliards, or about a thousand million pounds. To add rentes and municipal and departmental loans would considerably more than double this sum.

When it is considered that, excepting railways, the greater part of these securities rest upon nothing solid, it would appear that France has all the elements in readiness for a fearful crash, which may be precipitated by an unforeseen accident at any time.

IN regard to the Presidential disability question now being discussed in the Senate THE TRIBUNE has already suggested one way in which Congress may dispose of this matter. There may be other and better ways, but certainly so important a subject should not be left as the sport of whim or circumstance.

It may be provided by law that a majority of the President's Cabinet may raise the question of their chief's "inability" to discharge the duties of his office. It is safe to assume that a majority of those selected by the President himself as his advisers and the heads of the Executive Departments will never conspire to oust him from office on a charge of inability; but when the question should thus be raised it should also be made the duty of the Supreme Court to institute a judicial inquiry into the case, and to decide whether or not such inability exists as to entitle the proper officer to succeed to the office of President. The Supreme Court should be further authorized and required upon proper information to ascertain when the disability has been removed, and proper provision should be made to enable the President at the termination of disability thus judicially ascertained to recover his office. All this is simple enough, and certainly much less hazardous than to risk dispute and contention in a period of excitement and necessity.

THE Acting President has nominated Mr Benjamin H. Brewster, of Philadelphia, to be the Attorney-General of the United States, vice MacVeagh resigned. Mr. Brewster is an able lawyer and a gentleman of unimpeachable private character. He will be an efficient and faithful officer. Of course he is a third-term Stalwart. His nomination is proof of that fact. The Acting President will have no other Republicans about him. He is apparently not aware that there are any other Republicans. He may have the satisfaction of knowing that the nomination of Mr. Folger, Mr. Frelinghuysen, and Mr. Brewster and such other nominations of third-term Stalwarts as he may chose to make when James, Lincoln, Hunt, and Kirkwood are decapitated, will be gratifying to the 306. But the 306 reside mainly in Kentucky, Missouri, Alabama, and other third-term Southern States. They may rally to the support of the Administration as one man, and yet not be able to help it much on election-day. The Acting President has the right to make his choice, but he cannot have his cake and eat it. He cannot ignore the Garfield Republicans and expect that they will show him much favor when their turn comes again, as it surely will.

THAT far-away and usually quiet country, Norway, has managed to keep pace with the rest of the world by getting up a political crisis. The trouble has arisen from a dispute between the King of Norway, who is also King of Sweden, and the Storthing, or Norwegian Parliament. The Storthing passed a law which the King refused to sanction. The same law had been passed at three successive sessions, and, by the Constitution, the King can no longer lawfully refuse his assent to it. He has done it, nevertheless, and the Parliament is equally obstinate, so that there is a deadlock, and, as the Norwegians are a very sturdy and persistent body of people, the peasants being strongly democratic, there is likely to be a very bitter struggle. As an outcome of the matter, the press are speaking out very boldly and urging the Storthing to substitute a republican for a monarchical form of government. The Swedes and Norwegians are made out of the stuff that constitutes good republicanism, and the Storthing is very radical in its notions. Should the King hold out too stubbornly, it would be no surprise if he found himself out of business.

MR. JOHN ROACH is itinerating about the country delivering long-winded lectures to small audiences advocating Government subsidies for building merchant steamers under the pretext of protecting and "encouraging American shipping"; but he never has a word to say in favor of helping American shipping by removing onerous duties on shipbuilding materials and ship-stores, and relieving them from oppressive and vexatious port-dues, taxes, and Consular charges. The following letter of Capt. S. Lozier, in the Hackensack (N. J.) *Republican*, will explain the latter. We invite the attention of the members of Congress from Maine and other seaboard States who are clamoring for ship-subsidies, to the remarks of Capt. Lozier, and invite them to introduce a bill abolishing all such burdensome, useless, and injurious charges on American ships. He says:

The present agitation regarding the decline of the American shipping interest impels me to make public one or two facts from my experience. When I make foreign voyages I am obliged to pay once a year, on my entry at the custom-house, the sum of $10.50 to the United States Government for its protection; also to the Township of New Barbadoes a tax of 3 per cent on the same vessel, as it comes under the head of "personal property." Is this latter amount paid for protection? No; it is because the owner of the vessel lives in Hackensack and is obliged to pay taxes on property that has never been in Bergen County for the privilege of enjoying the blessings of its admirable financial management. Again, for the protection given by the Great Republic, when I arrive at a foreign port I must deposit my register with the American Consul within twenty-four hours, and pay him the sum of $4.00 to lock up the same in his safe. When I made my last voyages to Havre I deposited my register in person, and the clerk asked me if I wished to note a marine protest. I replied that I did, and he handed me a book which contained blanks for that purpose, to which I affixed my signature. When ready to leave the port I called at the Consul's office to take back my register, and was presented with a bill for 10 francs. Upon inquiring the meaning of this exorbitant charge I was informed that the sum of $4.00 was charged for depositing my register, $2 for noting protest, and the balance for extending the same. Not having ordered the protest extended, I asked for information on this point, and was referred to the blank I signed, and found that I had been "sold," as my cargo consisted of oak staves, which are not easily damaged by salt water. To crown this piece of imposition, the Consul had sent a man to my vessel, during my absence, obtained the log-book from my mate, and copied every word from the commencement of the voyage. For this arduous task the United States Government allowed the Consul a fee of 20 cents for every 100 words, and I was compelled to pay the amount demanded by him. And now, I think we should have one more tax imposed upon us, and that is, a tax to protect us from the American Consul.

The Late Vote of Virginia.

The following is an official statement by counties of the vote cast for Governor in Virginia at the election held Nov. 8. The canvass of the vote was made by the Legislature of the State last Monday, Dec. 12. For purposes of color-line comparison the white and black population of each county is added:

COUNTIES.	Cameron, Rep.	Daniel, Dem.	POPULATION. White.	Colored.
Accomac	1,447	1,684	16,016	9,846
Albemarle	2,063	2,315	15,951	16,004
Alexandria	340	173	9,983	7,577
Alexandria City	1,166	1,221		
Alleghany	717	163	4,454	1,132
Amelia	401	431	5,026	7,341
Amherst	1,560	1,045	9,045	6,779
Appomattox	858	761	6,154	4,667
Augusta	1,927	2,360		
Staunton City	1,027	1,000	25,605	9,538
Bath	338	340	3,321	931
Bedford	1,782	2,203	18,527	12,678
Bland	564	317	4,740	954
Botetourt	1,709	1,450	10,150	4,454
Brunswick	1,701	2,246	7,071	10,233
Buchanan	1,703	1,358	5,018	33
Buckingham	1,108	998	6,635	5,715
Campbell	2,363	2,363	17,296	13,564
Caroline	1,149	1,342	7,151	9,227
Carroll	1,455	1,915	12,917	846
Charles City	407	252	1,769	3,751
Charlotte	1,097	1,284	5,761	10,049
Chesterfield	1,350	1,350	13,935	10,559
Manches. or City	326	400		
Clarke	1,024	1,078	4,120	2,262
Craig	534	361	3,599	226
Culpeper	1,251	1,199	6,715	6,625
Cumberland	957	1,029	5,121	7,419
Dinwiddie	997	977	15,007	20,779
Petersburg City	2,175	1,107		
Elizabeth City	1,000	1,229	4,158	6,336
Essex	794	717	3,493	7,052
Fairfax	1,099	1,030	10,7 4	5,301
Fauquier	1,455	2,140	12,087	7,241
Floyd	974	622	11,961	1,374
Fluvanna	727	607	5,542	5,390
Franklin	1,255	1,562	17,088	8,018
Dickenson City	4	36		
Frederick	713	1,479	14,339	2,555
Winchester City	481	456		
Giles	625	178	7,688	1,191
Gloucester	777	997	6,541	6,585
Goochland	937	1,031	4,998	6,454
Grayson	1,561	625	12,017	167
Greene	406	346	4,185	1,574
Greenville	959	1,150	5,588	5,549
Halifax	2,197	2,225	15,220	20,285
Hanover	1,676	1,576	9,246	9,243
Henrico	1,530	1,540		
Richmond City	3,536	3,139	44,980	38,136
Henry	1,125	1,015	8,613	7,326
Highland	540	540	4,717	457
Isle of Wight	857	993	6,040	6,563
James City	275	112	2,227	3,106
Williamsburg City	249	277		
King and Queen	709	877	4,424	5,78
King George	746	907	3,161	3,256
King William	714	1,104	3,774	5,471
Lancaster	546	447	2,462	3,544
Lee	1,116	547	14,122	191
London	1,380	1,275	6,300	7,391
Louisa	1,044	971	7,410	11,031
Lunenburg	938	697	4,611	6,531
Madison	1,088	1,009	6,045	4,337
Matthews	823	797	3,077	2,424
Mecklenburg	2,248	687	8,113	10,325
Middlesex	551	600	2,618	3,534
Mongomery	1,105	1,199	12,961	4,220
Nansemond	1,691	955	5,127	8,117
Nelson	1,014	1,212	7,056	6,122
New Kent	353	224	2,275	3,349
Norfolk County	2,336	1,667		
Norfolk City	1,800	1,451	20,791	23,423
Portsmouth City	982	1,035		
Northampton	940	599	3,839	5,233
Northumberland	941	1,000	4,445	4,244
Nottaway	1,348	952	5,013	8,115
Orange	854	1,040	6,327	6,844
Page	1,353	1,040	8,840	1,1 5
Patrick	952	817	10,009	2,734
Pittsylvania	2,868	2,371		
Danville City	1,200	1,000	25,240	27,199
North Danville	199	198		
Powha an	846	285	2,729	3,091
Prince Edward	1,329	1,000	4,761	6,017
Prince George	815	439	3,959	3,811
Princess Anne	842	695	3,139	4,305
Prince William	811	1,011	5,021	2,621
Pulaski	1,027	753	6,238	2,452
Rappahannock	498	959	5,766	3,459
Richmond County	1,035	659	3,454	4,434
Roanoke	1,854	605	8,470	4,533
Rockbridge	1,883	1,622	13,4	3,940
Rockingham	2,875	2,787	17,5	2,1
Russell	1,197	345	12,035	1,371
Scott	1,884	846	14,849	674
Shenandoah	1,788	1,747	11,0	1,1
Smyth	1,138	648	10,3 9	1,640
Southamp on	1,503	1,055	7,441	10,165
Spotsylvania	1,027	554		
Fredericksburg City	527	503	4,478	6,4 6
Stafford	930	649	5,559	4,051
Surry	1,000	1,000	3,000	4,549
Sussex	1,107	1,020	3,301	6,713
Tazewell	1,350	624	10,917	1,013
Warren	1,013	995	5,05	1,441
Warwick	221	55	1,1	1,271
Washington	2,258	1,660	21,11	4,000
Westmoreland	1,000	1,000	3,74	5,10
Wise	744	198	7,67	101
Wythe	1,401	1,340	11,6	2,8 9
York	502	502	2,35	4,512
Total	111,478	99,737	880,81	811,926

Cameron's majority.....11,716
Excess of white population.....68,814

The totals for other State officers were as follows:

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

J. F. Lewis.....111,879
James Barbour.....99,939
Lewis' majority.....11,930

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

F. S. Blair.....112,000
F. W. McKinny.....100,627

FOREIGN.

The English Editors Still Cracking Away at Blaine.

They Consider American Statesmen at Present Entirely "Unenlightened."

The Irish Landlords Unable to Work Together in Harmony.

Loss of a Boat with Fourteen Persons Off the Coast of Galway.

Horrible Mistake of the Vienna Police the Night of the Fire.

Movement by the Submarine Cables to Secure International Protection.

Prince Bismarck Suffers from Acute Inflammation of the Veins.

He Is Not So Ill, However, but that He Can Still Plot Against France.

THE BRITISH.

SUBMARINE CABLES.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The officers of twenty-one telegraph and cable companies memorialize the Government to place submarine cables under the protection of international law. The companies also ask Lord Granville to receive a deputation to present their views on the subject.

THE ENGLISH EDITORS.

The *Standard*, in a leading article on the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty, says: "The question is simply whether the demand of the United States is reasonable. Never were startling demands made with less affectation of a reasoning pretext. The Americans will regret that Blaine tried to justify his position with argument. India is far more exposed to an attack than is the Pacific seaboard of America; yet, when has England claimed the exclusive right to control the Suez Canal? England has taken reasonable precautions to secure right-of-way. If America cares to follow our example she will, instead of denouncing treaties, 'take similar precautions.'"

The *News* says: "Blaine's production contains the implication, by no means courteous or considerate towards England. It is not at all impossible that what at the present moment is the Panama difficulty has arisen quite as much from the jealousy of vested rights as from the lust of empire. It cannot seriously be the intention of the people of America to support the new doctrine of suzerainty." The article concludes: "Least of all countries, can England consent to place the control of her vast commerce in the hands of any one, however friendly, Power."

The *Times* admits that Mr. Blaine's contention is not wholly unreasonable, but he is taking precautions against possible danger. If the United States cannot trust England, why should England be required to trust the United States? The temptation to a breach of faith is remotely contingent in the one case. It is quite certain in the other. And with the existing unenlightened views of American statesmen on commercial questions, it is likely enough that the reasons which would pass current with them would be found for yielding to it. The letter of the law is on the side of England.

THE MARQUIS OF LORNE

will remain in Canada another three years, having made known his desire to complete the full term of the Governor-Generalship, unless recalled to take up another appointment.

DR. CARVER

was the victor in today's shooting match. He stood at thirty-two yards. Gordon and Hobson, his competitors, stood at twenty-four yards, each using one hand only. Carver killed 64 out of 80 pigeons; Gordon, 56; Hobson, 53.

UNAUTHORIZED AND INACCURATE.

The Marquis of Hartington, Secretary of State for India, in receiving a deputation from Manchester urging the total repeal of the Indian import duties, said the recent statements in regard to the intention of the Indian Government were unauthorized and inaccurate. The present system, he said, rested on no fixed principle, but could remain a permanent part of the fiscal system. He warned chambers of commerce against agitating for the abolition of the opium duties.

Replying to a deputation of Oldham manufacturers, the Marquis said instructions had already been given as to the increased cultivation of cotton in India. Seed had been sent and improved processes had been made as widely available as possible. The Government, he said, was impressed with the importance of opening up the resources of India in a cautious and prudent manner. The Marquis regretted that the Cotton Supply Association had been allowed to expire, and said if anything could be done to promote the growth of cotton in India it would be by bringing its cultivation into more direct connection with the English consumer.

RIFLEMEN.

A committee of the Rifle Association of Great Britain was appointed to arrange for a reception at Wimbledon of the American team.

THE IRISH.

THE CARTOON IN "UNITED IRELAND."

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.—The cartoon published in this week's *United Ireland*, which has been seized by the authorities, represents Forster with a jailer's key in one hand and a warrant marked "Kilmainham" in the other. Before him stands a figure wearing a helmet bristling with bayonets, and with placards on its back inscribed "Martial Law" and "More Coercion." In front there is an army of females represented by the Ladies' Land League. The *United Ireland* was seized by direction of the Attorney-General, who is of the opinion that the paper was a "no-rent" manifesto of the worst kind, sufficient, and it direct incitement to murder.

The police are seizing copies of *United Ireland* throughout the country. It is understood the paper will be printed in London and thence posted to subscribers. Should the Government threaten, the office will be transferred to Paris, whence copies will be distributed under cover. The London agent received two parcels of *United Ireland* today, dispatched before the seizure yesterday.

DUNRAVEN'S RENTS.

The Earl of Dunraven denies the report that his tenants received an abatement of 33 per cent of their rent. He says the tenants paid two-thirds of their rent pending a revaluation of the land.

OWING TO A CONTROVERSY

among landlords in regard to their proposed meeting to express indignation at the working of the Land act, and demand compensation, two meetings will be held—one the 3d of January of the more moderate section, the Duke of Abercorn presiding, to criticise the Land-Court decisions; the other the 22d of the present month, Lord Bismarck presiding, to attack the Government.

BIGGAR,

member of Parliament for Cavan, writes the Freeman's Journal objecting to any of the royal family, which is a foreign family to Ireland, opening the proposed Irish industrial exhibition, and saying Davitt or Parnell ought to open the exhibition.

THERE WERE TWO ARRESTS

under the Coercion act today—one the late Secretary of the Mill Street (Cork) League.

THE MAYOR OF DUBLIN.

The Lord Mayor has declined to call a meeting of the Commissioners to consider a resolution to confer the freedom of the city upon Parnell and Dillon, a question which was so recently decided by the Council.

THE EAST.

THE RIGHT OF SEARCH DENIED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 15.—Lord Dufferin, the English Ambassador, refused to allow the Turkish authorities to search for explosives on board a British ship anchored here.

TO VIENNA.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Constantinople correspondent says it is suggested that the Ottoman special mission to Berlin should visit Vienna instead of going to Rome.

NO LOVE LOST ON BISMARCK.

The *Times*, remarking upon the reports from Constantinople relating to a German alliance with Turkey, says: "They are founded on a manifest desire of Bismarck to advertise himself as the principal counsellor and patron of the Porte. There might possibly be contingencies when it would be convenient to detain French troops in Tunis by the menace of a Turkish invasion from Tripoli. As Germany pays nothing for this accommodation, Bismarck does not repudiate the means by which it might be provided."

DR. SAMSON

was examined today on a charge of murder, in having caused the death of a student at Blenheim House School, Wimbledon, with a view of succeeding to his property. Evidence was produced of the fact that a quantity of poison, probably aconite, had been found in the stomach of the deceased. It is now proposed to exhume the body of a brother of the deceased who died recently under mysterious circumstances. Dr. Samson appeared in good spirits.

THEATRES.

The authorities in Liverpool and Glasgow are taking precautions against fires in theatres.

A DISASTER ON THE GALWAY COAST.

A boat containing fourteen persons left Galway last evening for Arran Island. When midway on the passage a storm was encountered and the boat sank, and all hands perished.

FRANCE.

AID VOTED THE VIENNA THEATRE SUFFERERS.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—The Municipal Council has voted $1,000 to the fund for the sufferers by the Vienna theatre fire. The

PREFECT OF POLICE

has prohibited the public from visiting the De Jazet Theatre until the necessary alterations are made. Similar action has been taken in the cases of four other theatres.

WILL NOT RETURN TO TUNIS.

The papers state that Roustan will not return to Tunis, but will be appointed to another important post.

ROCHEFORT'S TRIAL.

The *Temps* says: "Public opinion will not ratify the verdict in the trial of Rochefort, and, basing its observation on the statement by Rochefort's counsel, points out that the verdict does not imply condemnation of the Tunisian expedition or censure of the Government."

FOUL PLAY.

It is feared a young American who, a month ago, obtained circular-notes amounting to a considerable sum for a long continental tour, has been murdered, as some of the notes with the original name expunged have been changed by a swindler at the money-changers.

GERMANY.

BISMARCK'S ILLNESS.

BERLIN, Dec. 16.—Bismarck is again suffering from inflammation of the veins.

THE CABLES.

The German Minister telegraphs to the States that he has already entered into communication with the proper imperial functionaries with a view to obtain the protection so urgently required for the sub-marine cables.

THE MAY LAWS.

The *Germania* states that Windthorst has introduced a motion in the Reichstag for partially abrogating the May laws, and that the Centre, Poles, and Alsatians support it.

VIENNA.

THE TERRIBLE MISTAKE OF THE POLICE.

VIENNA, Dec. 16.—Some sensation has been caused by a baker's statement that after escaping from the burning theatre he purchased three candles and hastened back, in the hope of saving some sufferers, but the police arrested him and refused to let him enter the building.

GORTTEL

is the name of the gentleman who contributed $62,500 for the relief of the sufferers by the theatre fire. He is an Austrian by birth and a naturalized American.

TUNIS.

A PROTEST FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Lord Lyon, the British Ambassador, had an interview with Gambetta, and presented a dispatch protesting against the action of the Tunisian authorities in forcibly expelling the employés of M. Levy, a British subject, from the Enfida estate and putting the French claimants into possession.

HURRICANE.

TUNIS, Dec. 16.—A violent hurricane last evening swept away numerous tents, destroyed telegraph lines, and demolished the wall, killing and injuring twelve soldiers.

MEXICO.

ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 16.—Congress adjourned yesterday. Its labors were all in harmony with the Executive. It approved all railroad contracts made by the President, as well as those for the establishment of a National bank, and for draining the City and Valley of Mexico. It provided for the issue of $4,000,000 in nickel coin, and for the improvement of Mexican ports.

The International Industrial Exposition at Orizaba has been opened with much enthusiasm.

PERU.

EMBARKED FOR EUROPE.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Señor Rosas, the new Peruvian Minister, announces the receipt of a telegram from Lima stating Pierola has resigned the Presidency of Peru and embarked for Europe.

CUBA.

SURRENDERED UNCONDITIONALLY.

HAVANA, Dec. 16.—The bandit Sarduy, with thirteen followers, has surrendered unconditionally.

Dueling in Germany.

New York Tribune.

A few weeks ago Lieut. Von Geyso, a young Prussian officer of remarkable promise, was shot to death by one of his comrades in a wholly unnecessary encounter. So popular was this gallant youth in Schwedt, the garrison town where his regiment was stationed, that hundreds followed his body to its premature grave. One afternoon, during some regimental gymnastic exercise, Von Geyso refused a leap that had been taken by several of his fellow-officers. Three of these, more in jest than earnest, shouted out: "You are a coward." Von Geyso, having given frequent proofs of his personal courage, took no notice of these bantering exclamations, but, a day or two later, finding himself shunned at mess by his comrades, he consulted his brother-in-law, Baron Von Blomberg, as to the proper course to pursue, and, by this gentleman's advice, challenged the three officers to meet him in succession and exchange two shots. No serious consequences ensued from the first and second encounters, but Geyso's third opponent shot him through the heart at the first fire, killing him on the spot.

English Princes in Japan—A Grand Tournament in Honor of the Prince of Wales' Sons.

Japan Mail (Yokohama).

On Monday their Royal Highnesses landed very quietly, preserving their incognito—if we may use the expression—so far that no salutes were fired, and some of the good people of Yokohama were disappointed at not having their houses shaken and their nerves shattered by half a dozen salvos of twenty-one guns. The forenoon of the last day was spent in the park at Uyeno, where there was an excellent display of day fireworks, admired and applauded by one of those enormous crowds that always assembles to witness anything unwonted in the north end of the city. After luncheon at the Seiyoken the royal party drove to the Park of Fukiage to witness a grand tournament in the old Japanese style. And a most notable affair it was, indeed. In the centre of the wide parterre, surrounded by glorious trees and charmingly-disposed hills, a large space had been inclosed with black and white cloth as an arena. On one side of this were tents for the spectators, of whom about 100 were present, while on the opposite side was a large booth with refreshments. The combatants were divided into two parties—the Red and the White Knights. They were dressed in the genuine old Japanese style—cuirass, greaves, helmets, and gauntlets—and each man carried, so to speak, two vulnerable points, a small earthen-cup on his crest, and a little leathern target on his right hip. To break these cups by a sword-cut or strike the target with a lance was the grand object each man proposed to himself. At first, the two parties filed into the lists from right and left, marching to the melancholy booming notes of large conches and the solemn cadence of slowly-beaten drums. But very soon this majestic deliberation was exchanged for a scene of the wildest bustle, as two men dashed into the arena, trailing after them leathern bags at which the horsemen discharged their arrows after the fashion of the erstwhile notorious Sna-e-mono. This, being the least amusing part of the program, was speedily brought to an end, and then each side commenced a furious attack upon the other with lances, the great aim being apparently to pursue a flying lancer and catch him unawares on the vulnerable point, a performance to which, when successful, is supposed by a certain etymologist to have suggested the old saying, "Had him on the hip." Certainly a good many combatants were had on the hip most effectually, and a good many others received most malicious thrusts in the back and shoulders faute de mieux. The sword practice was the most entertaining part of the performance, for, though very few of the porcelain cups were broken, some skillful horsemanship, as well as many quaint feats of attack and defense, were exhibited. His Excellency, the acting Chinese Minister, added not a little to the hilarity of the proceedings by trusting too much to a bamboo rail and measuring his length in his wondrous particolored garments on the greensward.

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THE ASSASIN.

(Continued from the Third Page.)

on behalf of the brother of his wife: "You are about as consummate a jackass as I know. You have not got as much brains as a 10-year-old boy. Get off the case, and I will take it myself. I should have got half a dozen first-class lawyers to take this case if you hadn't in your egotism and vanity shouldered them off."

I HAVE GOT TO DO THE HEAVY WORK MYSELF

before this court and jury." The prisoner then burst into a fit of laughter, and hid his face in his hands. Looking up with his face red with laughing he said: "Ever since you delivered that lecture, Scoville, you have been a perfect fool." Late in the day Dr. Allen Hamilton, of New York, an eminent expert in diseases of the mind and the nervous system, was examined at great length. He had made three personal examinations of Guiteau at the jail, and had watched and examined the prisoner in the court-room during the trial. His verdict was that Guiteau was eccentric and bad-tempered, that he was very quiet in the jail, his manner contrasting remarkably with his conduct in the court-room; that he (Dr. Allen) considered Guiteau was playing in court a part, and that he was a sane man, and capable of knowing the consequences of his crime. It is believed that the testimony of the experts will be concluded next week.

MRS. SCOVILLE'S QUESTION.

After the adjournment of the Criminal Court Mrs. Scoville said that she wanted the public to know what the questions were that she intended to ask Dr. Young: "I wanted to ask him what effect certain medicines would have on the prisoner's mind, and whether they could not be administered without either the prisoner or the jail physicians knowing it. I mean no insinuation against the physicians."

GUITEAU'S APPETITE

is quite as remarkable as his insolence. He has breakfast served in his room at the court-house about 9 o'clock, and, according to the testimony of the officers who attend him, usually consumes at his meal a pound of steak, nine buckwheat cakes, three roasted potatoes, and five cups of coffee. Then, at half-past 12, he gorges himself on roast-beef and mutton.

MR. SCOVILLE

has received by express a suspicious cigar-box loaded with some heavy substance. On the presumption that the box contains some infernal machinery, no one has yet ventured to pry it open. It has been carefully deposited in the backyard of Mr. Scoville's lodging-place on Indiana avenue, where the curious cats and dogs may tempt fate by nosing around it.

THE TRIAL.

PROCEEDINGS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The Prosecuting Attorney was a little late in reaching the Criminal Court this morning, and Guiteau improved the opportunity to make one of his little speeches "to put in time." Looking over the verbatim report, he said, with a chuckle: "I understand Gen. Reynolds is sick this morning. I wonder if Corkhill let a goose get any more than they wanted yesterday. It's about time for Corkhill to get sick, and stay sick."

GEORGE D. BARNARD,

Deputy Clerk of the Supreme Court of Kings County, New York, took the stand to prove the divorce of Anna J. Guiteau from the prisoner. The witness presented the record of the court and the order of the Judge for his (witness') attendance here.

Scoville objected to the admission of the papers upon the ground that they were not certified by the Clerk of the court, as required by act of Congress. The Court overruled the objection and admitted the papers as originals in the case. The papers set forth the granting of an absolute divorce upon the ground of adultery, no answer having been made by defendant. Guiteau, referring to the woman named with whom he had committed adultery, said: "This woman Jennings was a high-toned woman in New York. It was purely a matter of business between us. I committed adultery with her to get rid of a woman I did not love. I thought it a much more moral course than to live with her and have children year after year. I have been a strictly virtuous man for six years past, and have always been

A HIGH-TONED CHRISTIAN MAN."

Scoville desired to note the exception to the admission of the evidence.

Guiteau (with impatience)—Oh, what's the use of quibbling over that? I admit my marriage and my divorce. I don't care for that; I can get married again anywhere outside of New York State, and, for that matter, in New York too. Under a new law there if a man lives a strictly virtuous life for six years after being divorced the courts will let him marry again. Why, I could get married in New York tomorrow if I wanted to."

GEN. REYNOLDS

was called. Guiteau at once broke in petulantly, saying: "I hope you will cut off Gen. Reynolds and not waste any more time on him. He told all he knows about this case and a good deal more."

Scoville cross-examined the witness. Guiteau frequently interrupted, contradicted, and insulted the witness. At one time he shouted out: "I would have been hung a hundred times in July last but for the National troops, and all through your lying and Corkhill's.

I'M GOING TO GET EVEN WITH BOTH OF YOU, TOO.

Witness explained that when he visited Guiteau in his trial had not been arranged. President Garfield was still living, and he (witness) had no thought of being subpœnaed as a witness.

"You lie!" shouted Guiteau. "You came to my cell as a spy in the employ of the District-Attorney."

Gen. Reynolds read from notes he had taken on the occasion of his first interview with Guiteau. Quoting the prisoner's words, he read: "If there is a Stalwart in the land, I am he. Grant, Conkling, Logan, and Gov. Cornell are big guns among the Stalwarts, and I rank with them."

Guiteau recited: "I never said I could rank with them; but as

A MATTER OF FACT I THINK I CAN."

A number of newspaper slips which witness had read to the prisoner at this interview, to show him what were the sentiments of Grant, Conkling, and others in regard to his (the prisoner's) crime, were then read by the District-Attorney.

When the letter of Gen. Grant was read, in which the writer, speaking of Guiteau, said: "My son tells me he is a deadbeat," Guiteau broke out very angry, and shouted: "That is what Fred Grant says. He's a nice pill, isn't he? hanging around his father. I should say

HE IS A BIGGER DEADBEAT THAN I AM."

Another passage was read, which spoke of Guiteau's crime as a "most audacious act." Guiteau interrupted: "And so it was, to enter that depot and shoot down the President of the United States, surrounded, as he was, by all his friends. I have wondered at it a good many times—how I ever did it. I thought to myself this morning I would not undertake it again for a million dollars, but I was in such a desperate state of mind I could not resist. I was impelled upon the President by a pressure I could not resist."

Ellen C. Grant was called, and Guiteau shouted: "Mrs. Grant is the lady I boarded with prior to the 1st of July. She is a very fine lady,

AND I OWE HER $47."

I trust I shall pay you soon, Mrs. Grant. As soon as these fellows holding fat offices shall respond to my call (striking the table excitedly), I made them. If they don't soon contribute I shall call out their names in meeting."

Witness never suspected the prisoner was insane.

THE FORMER WIFE.

Mrs. Anna J. Dunmire Guiteau's divorced wife) was then called, and several ladies arose to leave the court-room. Guiteau moved uneasily upon his seat, and, looking angrily toward the audience, cried out: "There won't be any smut on this examination. The ladies need not go out. They have no business to put this woman on the stand, unless Corkhill wants to air his filth. I say it's an outrage on decency for Corkhill to drag this lady in here and have her character ripped up, as it will be. Corkhill ought to be ashamed of himself."

HE IS WORSE THAN AN OLD DOG.

I appeal to the Court to intercept this infamous action of Corkhill's. Arthur ought to kick him out. I made Arthur President, and I have a right to demand he shall put some reputable lawyer in the place of this infamous Corkhill."

Very much to the surprise of every one, but two or three questions were asked witness, and her statement in reply to the last question: "I never saw any signs of insanity in the prisoner while I lived with him as his wife," closed the examination by the prosecution.

GUITEAU, WITH A SIGN OF RELIEF,

said to Corkhill: "Thank you, Mr. Corkhill, for the sake of her children. This is the most decent thing you have done on this trial. I expect, however, that Judge Porter and Davidge insisted on it, and they are both supposed to be decent men."

Then, turning impatiently to Scoville: "Now, cut this short and let's have something else."

The cross-examination of Mrs. Dunmire was tedious and wholly fruitless. As she left the stand Guiteau shouted after her: "I have not seen this lady for eight years. So far as I know she is a high-toned Christian lady, and I have nothing against her. I wish her well in whatever station she must be."

DR. FRANCIS B. LORING,

in charge of the Eye and Ear Infirmary at Washington, made examinations of Guiteau's eyes soon after his arrest, and did not find any indication of any disease of the brain.

DR. A. M'LANE HAMILTON, OF NEW YORK,

had made diseases of the mind and nervous diseases a special study the past nine years. The witness made three examinations of the prisoner at the jail, and had also closely scrutinized him in court since the 28th of November, when he (the witness) arrived in the city. The witness found no defects in the physical conformation of the prisoner's head or face, nor any physical peculiarities or symptoms of congenital disease of the brain. On the contrary, he found, from accurate measurements, that the prisoner had a symmetrical and exceedingly well-shaped head. The witness found no external evidence of any mental or physical disease in the prisoner. He considered him an eccentric man.

Guiteau—

EXCEEDINGLY ECCENTRIC WHEN I AM ABUSED.

I've had to take more abuse since this trial began than during my whole life before. I don't take much stock in this head business. [Striking the table and flashing his eyes upon the witness.] You study up on spiritualogy instead of craniology, and you will learn something. It is the spirit that gets into the brain and behind it that actuates a man.

The witness was then asked: "What is your opinion upon the prisoner's sanity?"

Answer—I believe the man sane, though eccentric, and

FULLY ABLE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN RIGHT AND WRONG,

and to realize consequences.

Scoville noted an exception, and Guiteau, with an air of solemn seriousness, added: "With all respect to this Court and jury, this kind of examination don't amount to a snap. Was my free agency destroyed? That is the question for this jury to decide. I swear my moral agency was destroyed. How is this prosecution going to prove it was not? That's the short and sharp of it, and that's all there is in this case."

Pending the cross-examination of this witness, the court adjourned until Monday.

THE WEATHER.

Signal Service.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17—1 a. m.—The Chief Signal Officer of the Army furnishes the following special bulletin:

Unusually fair weather prevailed during the day east of the Rocky Mountains. Northeasterly winds are reported in the South Atlantic States, easterly in the Gulf States, and elsewhere southerly. The temperature has fallen slightly in the South Atlantic States and Northwest, and risen slightly from the Lake region to the Rio Grande Valley. It was 20 degrees above the mean for the month in Minnesota and Iowa, and 30 degrees above the mean for the month in Dakota, where the warm wave extending to the South and East is now central. Fair weather is indicated for the Middle, South Atlantic, and East Gulf States and Tennessee and the Ohio Valley for today and Sunday.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, slightly warmer fair weather, southerly veering to westerly winds, and stationary or lower pressure.

For the Lower Lake region, fair weather, southerly veering to westerly winds, stationary or higher temperature, and generally lower pressure.

For the Upper Lake region, fair weather, southerly veering to westerly winds, stationary or lower temperature, and higher pressure.

For the Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys, fair weather, winds mostly westerly, stationary or lower temperature in north portions, and lower pressure.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16—10:18 p. m.—The following observations are taken at the same moment of time at all the stations named:

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

Stations.	Ther. 7 a. m.	Ther. 7 p. m.	Wind.	Min. Vel.	Rain.	Weather
Albany	39	38	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Augusta	41	36	S	Fresh	0	Fair.
Bismarck	29	21	N	Light	0	Clear.
Boston	39	38	S	Light	0	Clear.
Cairo	49	44	S.W.	Brisk	0	Clear.
Cheyenne	43	33	W	Fresh	0	Clear.
Chicago	40	37	S.W.	Brisk	0	Clear.
Cincinnati	46	44	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Cleveland	39	39	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Davenport	30	28	S	Brisk	0	Clear.
Deadwood	41	28		Calm	0	Clear.
Denison	54	43	S	Light	0	Clear.
Denver	50	33	S	Light	0	Clear.
Des Moines	32	31	S.W.	Fresh	0	Fair.
Detroit	44	42	S.W.	Brisk	0	Fair.
Dodge City	54	36	S.W.	Brisk	0	Clear.
Duluth	32	31	S.W.	Light	0	Hazy.
Erie	39	38	S	Brisk	0	Clear.
Escanaba	36	34	S	Light	0	Clear.
Ft. Assiniaboine	37	27	S.W.	Fresh	0	Clear.
Fort Buford	32	27	S.W.	Light	0	Cldy.
Fort Custer	47	42	N.W.	High	0	Cldy.
Fort Garry	31	1		Calm	0	Clear.
Fort Gibson	54	51	S	Light	0	Clear.
Fort Sheridan	41	39	S.E.	Light	0	Clear.
Grand Haven	42	38	S	Brisk	0	Clear.
Huron, Dak	40	29	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Indianola	69	70	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Keokuk	44	44	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Las Animas	51	44	S.W.	Light	0	Fair.
La Crosse	34	32	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
Leavenworth	54	47	S	Brisk	0	Fair.
Pinsbluff	46	34	S	Light	0	Clear.
Marquette	34	32	W	Fresh	0	Clear.
Memphis	54	51		Calm	0	Clear.
Milwaukee	40	39	S	Fresh	0	Fair.
Moorhead	32	29		Calm	0	Cldy.
Nashville	52	52	S.E.	Light	0	Haze.
North Platte	49	37	S.W.	Light	0	Clear.
Omaha	43	35	S.W.	Brisk	0	Fair.
Oswego	39	38	S	Fresh	0	Fair.
Pittsburg	46	46	S	Light	0	Clear.
Port Eads	67	67	S	Brisk	0	Cldy.
Port Huron	38	36	S.W.	Fresh	0	Fair.
Rochester	39	38	S.W.	Fresh	0	Clear.
San Antonio	61	59		Light	0	Clear.
Sandusky	41	37	S.W.	Brisk	0	Clear.
Shreveport	58	54	S.E.	Light	0	Clear.
Springfield	49	46	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
St. Louis	52	52	S	Fresh	0	Clear.
St. Paul	31	31	S.W.	Light	0	Cldy.
San Vincennes	51	50	W	Light	0	Cldy.
Toledo	42	40	S	Brisk	0	Clear.
Vicksburg	55	47	S	Light	0	Clear.
Yankton, D. T.	30	30		Light	0	Cldy.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Time.	Bar.	Ther.	Hu.	Wind.	Vel.	Rain.	Weather
6:35 a. m.	30.226	25.5	64	S	12	0	Clear.
10:35 a. m.	30.252	41.8	57	S	21	0	Fair.
2:35 p. m.	30.160	45.7	57	S.W.	19	0	Fair.
6:35 p. m.	30.150	42.2	67	S.W.	15	0	Clear.
10:35 p. m.	30.18	40.3	65	S.W.	18	0	Clear.

Maximum temperature, 47.0.
Minimum temperature, 25.5.
Mean of daily temperature, 37.34.
Mean daily thermometer, 41.6.
Mean daily humidity, 61.0.

POLITICAL.

Pennsylvania Independent Republicans.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—T. D. McKee, Chairman of the State Committee of the Citizens' Republican Association, has issued an address to the Independent Republicans of Pennsylvania inviting them to send Representatives from each county to a State conference to be held in this city Jan. 13 to take into consideration the wisdom of placing in nomination proper persons for the offices of Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of Internal Affairs, and Supreme Court Judge, and such other matters as may come before the committee looking to the overthrow of "boss rule."

Chief-Justice Hunter, of the Utah Supreme Court, Again Declares Cannon an Alien.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 16.—Chief-Justice Hunter today refused to set aside or modify the order heretofore made by him in Campbell vs. Cannon, in which he held that the certificate of naturalization held by Cannon was obtained by fraud, and had been fraudulently used, and was void on its face. This reaffirms that Cannon is an alien.

The Hotel-Keepers at St. Albans, Vt., Close Th ir Estab lish-ms.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Dec. 16.—The hotel proprietors have closed their establishments rather than stop the sale of liquor. The citizens in mass-meeting tomorrow discuss the temperance question.

Ameri a n Paris.

M. Simonin, a warm advocate of American institutions, recently gave a lecture before the Geographical Society in Paris, in which he dwelt with some eloquence on the startling growth of the population of the United States. In three centuries, he said, if the present rate of progress was maintained, the United States would have sixteen hundred millions of people. At this statement some one in the audience protested, and asserted at the American Nation as a mushroom, which was likely soon to decay. Others disputed the accuracy of his assertions about the United States growth of the population. "Wait," said a third, "until we get Africa cleared—and Africa will be opened—then the emigration from Europe will all be directed thither, and America will see her numbers diminish." The conclusion of the "African continent is a dream; it cannot be realized!" cried a fourth. "It is, on the contrary, infinitely healthier than America!" asserted a fifth—and so the meeting broke up in a tumult.

NEW YORK.

Anxious Inquiries for Maurice Mauris, the Journalist.

It Is Alleged that He Has Forged Several Bank Checks.

Ben Butler Has at Last Arranged the Sprague Estate's Affairs.

It Is Thought Chaffee's Chances for the Interior Department Are Bad.

He Has Too Many Irons in the Fire in the Southwest to Suit Arthur.

MAURICE MAURIS.

HE IS A FORGER, SO IT IS ALLEGED.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Maurice Mauris, a forger, who has been until recently a frequent contributor to the New York press, is sought for by the police. It is charged that he is a forger, having committed his crimes chiefly in this city, Baltimore, and Boston. Two weeks ago Mauris was in Baltimore, where he asked a newspaper friend of his to cash a check for $125. The editor did not have so much money, but he introduced Mauris to a friend who did. The check purported to be signed by Charles Scribner's Sons, and Mauris said that it had been paid him for an article which had just been accepted by them. He announced that he was on the way to Washington to write a sketch of the Guiteau trial for the *Evening Post*.

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then gave his editorial friend and two companions a dinner at Mount Vernon, at which the choicest wines and viands were served. The next morning it was learned that the check for $125 was forged, but Mauris had disappeared. Within the last two weeks Mauris has passed forged or worthless checks upon a number of persons—for $75 upon a restaurant-keeper at Philadelphia by the name of Joseph Maitesta; for $75 at the same place upon a Mr. Paul; and for $150 upon Irving Evans, of Boston. Three of these checks purported to be signed by Charles Scribner's Sons. He has also borrowed money of several persons under false pretenses. The police have been looking for him carefully in this city, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Boston, but he leaves no traces behind him. When Mauris first came to this country, he caused it to be rumored that he was the son of Victor Emanuel. On a book which he compiled, one of the handy volume series called "Frenchmen of Letters," he gives his name as "Maurice Mauris (Marquis de Calenzano)."

THE SPRAGUE ESTATE.

PROSPECT OF A COMPROMISE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Information was obtained this evening to the effect that the complicated Sprague litigation was about to come to an end, and that Gen. B. F. Butler had progressed so far in his negotiations as to warrant the announcement that the settlement with the creditors is virtually accomplished. The effect of the settlement will be to turn over to the creditors of the Spragues 30 per cent of the debt, which amount, added to what has already been received, will net them nearly 50 per cent of the principal of their claims. There was, until within a few days, a prospect of almost interminable litigation, which, even if interrupted, would have probably resulted in so clouding the title that any sale of the property must have yielded less than the sum which the creditors may now expect to receive. Six months ago the claims of the creditors were selling in the market for from 15 to 20 cents on the dollar. Under the present arrangement the Spragues will unite in the title, which will perfect it. Without their consent the title would have been subject to dispute.

Mr. Chaffee himself as Trustee, it is contended,

COULD HAVE GIVEN NO OTHER TITLE

than was communicated to him by the trust-deed, the validity of which title has been uniformly denied by the Spragues and directly impugned in a suit just commenced to set aside the deed. Moreover, the entire Sprague property secured by the judgment of the Franklin Savings Bank to the amount of $1,000,000, which judgment is in hostility to the title of Chaffee. The Hoyt heirs, in addition, are asserting a claim against the Spragues which, if valid, would still further have incumbered the estate. All these adverse litigations are solved, it is said, in the interest of the creditors of the Spragues.

THE EXACT DETAILS

of the settlement could not be obtained, but it is understood that Gen. B. F. Butler purchases the entire property and assumes certain liabilities which will oblige him to pay in the aggregate about three millions of dollars. This is estimated by creditors to be more than could be realized by selling the property at auction and in parcels, since a considerable portion of the property is entirely unproductive, and would, if bought, have yielded a very moderate price. The arrangement, as far as it has progressed, is made with the consent of the creditors' committee.

THE CABINET.

CHAFFEE'S CHANCES.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—A *Times* Washington special says: "The President has now chosen three of the members of his Cabinet—Mr. Frelinghuysen, Mr. Folger, and Mr. Brewster. There are the best of reasons for believing that those who are to occupy the remaining four places have already been selected, and that President Arthur's Cabinet will be made up as follows:

"Secretary of State, Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey.

"Secretary of the Treasury, Charles J. Folger, of New York.

"Secretary of War, Robert T. Lincoln, of Illinois.

"Secretary of the Navy, George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts.

"Postmaster-General, Timothy O. Howe, of Wisconsin.

"Secretary of the Interior, Jerome B. Chaffee, of Colorado.

"Attorney-General, Benjamin Harris Brewster, of Pennsylvania."

IT WILL BE SEEN

from the foregoing that Mr. Chaffee is still booked for the Interior Department. A prominent Senator from the West, when in New York, a few days ago, said to a friend: "You need never expect to see Chaffee in the Interior Department. There are a great many Spanish claims lying in New Mexico to be passed upon by the Interior Department, and it is not deemed wise to put a man there to sit upon cases in which he has a personal interest. He will never become Secretary of the Interior."

ITEMS.

RELIEF FOR THE VIENNA THEATRE FIRE-SUFFERERS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The General Committee for the Relief of the Vienna Sufferers organized by electing as Presidents the Austrian Consul-General Havemeyer; Vice-Presidents, German Consul-General Schumacker, John Jay, and August Belmont; and Secretary and Treasurer, Hugo Fritsch. The total amount of subscriptions is $2,367, of which $1,000 has been forwarded to Vienna. The committee are to get up entertainments.

STREET CLEANING.

Commissioner Coleman, of the Street-Cleaning Department, has decided to let the contract for the work of cleaning all the streets south of Fourteenth street. The city south will be divided into two districts. The contractors will be required to keep all the streets in this district clean, and remove snow and garbage at least once a day. They will be required to furnish their own carts and horses, and this, Commissioner Coleman says, "will give us a chance of increasing the force of men at work in the upper part of the city."

Professional Amenities.

San Francisco Post.

When the poor, emaciated invalid has reached the point where his physician gives him up, and death sits on the undertaker stare him in the face, what chance has he left? Why, lots. Let him just call in another doctor. There is always sufficient difference of opinion in the medical fraternity to give him grounds of hope.

"You made a very narrow escape," said Dr. Potts the other day to a patient who had dropped in to pay his bill; "a very narrow escape, sir. I shudder when I look back to it."

"Why, Doctor, a simple boil on the neck is not considered as fatal generally, is it?"

"Well, not—not the boil exactly, but your office boy told me that he was to call in Dr. Snodgrass in case I was not at home. Thank heaven I was!"

FINANCIAL.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities of Nininger & Co., of Miles City.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 16.—Gen. John B. Sanborn, Joseph Leighton, and several other gentlemen arrived from Miles City today, and a TRIBUNE reporter had a lengthy interview with the former, the result of which shows the status of matters in relation to the failure of A. R. Nininger & Co. Messrs. Auerbach, Finch & Vanalyck, and Beaupre, Keogh & Co. have replevined such goods in stock as they could identify, each firm giving the necessary bonds. It is thought that from 33½ to 50 per cent of the entire claim of each can be thus identified and replevined. Writs of garnishment against the Northern Pacific Railroad Company as garnishees for A. R. Nininger & Co. were sued out by the firms of Forepaugh & Tarbox, Beaupre, Keogh & Co., Campbell & Birbank, Decoster & Clark, and Auerbach, Finch & Vanslyck. Among the notes was found one for $24,000 given by the mercantile house of A. R. Nininger & Co. to the Miles City bank; but, as it is as if a man were to give a note to himself, it is not figured either in the assets or liabilities. There can be no question that the amount of cents on the dollar eventually paid depends very largely upon the creditors themselves. If a big battle is inaugurated, and the preferred creditors and assignee fight tooth and toenail with the unsecured, it is stated that 25 cents on the dollar would be plenty to pay for claims. If a spirit of accommodation is shown and interminable lawsuits avoided (the attachment suits anent the real estate transferred are now referred to), whilst the best possible care is exercised to secure a profitable disposition of the effects, there seems to be no reason why three times 25 cents should not accrue to each creditor. A meeting of creditors will be held in St. Paul as soon as affairs are sufficiently straightened, and Capt. Nininger expects to be present. The following is a summary of a long tabulated statement of the assets and liabilities: Preferred and secured claims, $85,212.67; assets, as given, $282,000; balance, $196,787.33; total of outside claims, $124,565.42; deficit, $17,788.09. These figures are as accurate as can possibly be given at this time, and were obtained from the best-posted sources. The assets in detail are as follows: Value of stock in store, $100,000; real estate in Miles City, $20,000; bank accounts (face value), $72,000; bank accounts (principally cash), $32,000; Alabama plantation, $20,000.

Heavy Fai'ure at Baltimore, Md.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 16.—The business circles of this city were astonished today by the announcement of the failure of R. W. L. Rasin & Co., who are among the largest manufacturers of fertilizers in the United States. The liabilities are variously estimated from $500,000 to $1,000,000. Their deed of trust was made to Thomas W. Lanahan, of this city, for the benefit of all creditors. The first intimation received by the public of any trouble was the return of a check for $3,400, drawn by the firm on the Fourth National Bank of New York. The failure is attributed mainly to the short cotton crop, they having sold largely for future delivery. The cotton which they were to have received was in exchange for fertilizers furnished by the firm to farmers throughout the South. The bulk of the firm's business is done through Inman, Swan & Co., of New York, and their branch house at Atlanta, Ga., and their liabilities are mostly in New York and the West. Their assets consist of their factory property, worth to them fully $150,000, and a large number of mortgage notes, the value of which depends upon the manner in which they are collected. The firm is composed of R. W. L. Rasin and Capt. Edward K. Cooper as special partner in the sum of $100,000. Capt. Cooper is the original discoverer of the guano deposits in the Navassa Islands. About 340 men are thrown out of employment by the failure.

Suspension of a Cincinnati Advertising Firm.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 16.—E. N. Freshman & Bro., general advertising agents, have made an assignment for the benefit of creditors to John A. Trimble and W. G. Williams. Bond was fixed at $30,000. The assets are estimated at $30,000 in book accounts. The liabilities are not known, but are held mainly by newspapers.

Swain's Cr di ors.

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—At a m e ng of creditors of Paul M. Swain, broker and commission dealer in drugs and chemicals, recently failed, it was shown that the stock of the debtor had all been hypothecated to secure certain creditors. The total indebtedness is $444,760; unsecured indebtedness, $186,408.

Failure at Norfolk, Va.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 16.—G. Hofheimer & Son, wholesale clothiers, have made an assignment. Liabilities, $75,000.

THE FIRE RECORD.

The Opera-House at Columbus, O., Destroyed.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 16.—Fire was discovered in the Grand Opera-House at 3 o'clock this morning, and was not controlled until daylight. It originated from the furnace beneath the entrance-door on the first floor, burning the office and spreading to the amphitheatre. The firemen worked hard, but the building was gutted, and the only thing saved was the stage drop-curtain. The interior of the house is a mass of ruins. E. T. Mithoff, the owner, suffers a loss of $75,000, which is fully covered by insurance. He will arrange to rebuild at once, but cannot get ready for further business this season. Theodore Morris, the lessee, loses considerable personal property, and, with the season's business, puts his loss at over $5,000. The house was packed last night to hear "Fun on the Bristol," and, had the fire broken out at the entrance during the performance, there would have been a great calamity. It is thought the fire started soon after midnight. As it was, no one was hurt. Lawrence Barrett was to have begun an engagement of three performances tonight, and dates were secured for every night for next month and late in the season.

A Leaky Gas-Pipe and a Handy Lantern.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BRADFORD, Pa., Dec. 16.—A fire at Custer City, two miles south of Bradford, this forenoon destroyed the Straight House, the Atlantic Hotel, the Messrs. Gebrings' millinery store, and four dwellings. The Custer City House was gutted. Loss $50,000; partially insured in Canadian and British companies. The fire had its origin in a leaky gas-pipe and a handy lantern.

Batesville, Miss., Has a Narrow Escape from Destruction.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Fire tonight at Batesville, Miss., burned the store and livery stable of S. Burchard & Co., and the *Blade* newspaper office. Except for the efforts of citizens and favorable winds a large portion of the town would have been destroyed.

Two Factories and Six Dwellings Burned at Orange, N. J.

ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 16.—The hat-factories of Cummings, Barry & Co. and Sparrow, Venins & Co., and five dwellings, burned this morning. Loss $50,000; insured. Three hundred men are thrown out of employment.

"MARK TWAIN."

The Canadian Authorities Refuse to Grant Him a Copyright for His New Book.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

OTTAWA, Dec. 16.—The application of Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) for a Canadian copyright of his new book has been refused by the Department of Agriculture and Arts. Clemens has therefore no Canadian copyright, and cannot get one. The claim for copyright was made on the strength of Clemens' visit and domicile for two weeks in Montreal. The authorities decide that such residence is not "domicile." All attempts to come within the letter of the law will be dealt with similarly. The authorities here, it is understood, also decide that if Clemens obtains a copyright in Great Britain by first publishing there, that that copyright extends to Canada. The latter, however, is opposed as to what the Supreme Court would decide in case the matter came up before them. The decision in the case of S. Miles vs. Belford, given in Toronto, was based upon English decisions, and the question as to whether Canada by the passage of the British America act could exercise independent judgment through her Legislature was not discussed.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

An Increase of Wages to Be Demanded.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 16.—Secretary Howard calls a special meeting of the Spinners' Union for tomorrow night to consider a 10 per cent advance in wages. The Secretary says: "Let us unite as one man in throwing off the shackles which chain us down into a condition little better than servile bondage. It will be an indication of cowardice on the part of those who absent themselves, unless through unavoidable circumstances." The spinners of Lowell are also moving for an increase of wages.

THE POLICE CHIEFS.

Selection of Permanent Officers and a Program for Discussion.

Testing the Patrol System, and the Good Things at the Sherman House.

The convention of Police Chiefs held its second day's session yesterday, opening at 11 a. m. Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order, but retired in favor of Chief Beck, of Milwaukee, after the reading of the minutes, having municipal business to attend to.

The Secretary read letters of regret from Chief Speers, of Kansas City, and Chief Matson, of Peoria.

Chief Rogers, of Detroit, then submitted the report of

THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

The preamble was as follows:

This organization shall be known as the National Police Association, formed for the purpose of better securing the safety, peace, and convenience of the entire people of the United States by the prevention of crime, and for the pursuit, arrest, and conviction of offenders against the law; the preservation of order, and to assist the executive and judicial officers of the State and Nation in preventing and punishing crime; and for the further purpose of giving mutual information and assistance to the several members of the organization in furtherance of carrying out the objects as stated in this article.

Before the document was taken up section by section, Chief Heisel, of Pittsburg, offered a resolution to the effect that no one present except Chiefs of Police be allowed a vote in the convention. As there were several representatives present who had not attained the dignity of chiefs, the resolution created a livelr discussion. Chief McGarigle favored giving all delegates a vote, as he thought there were old police officers present who could give points to some of the new Chiefs, and Clerk Doyle made an eloquent appeal for the subordinates. Chief Morse, of Toledo, believed in giving cities representation according to their population. Finally, Chief McGarigle moved that each city represented in the convention have one vote on the organization of the association. This was carried, and the constitution and by-laws were then taken up section by section.

The question of membership qualifications in the new association was discussed at some length, and finally the following section was adopted:

"Members of the association shall consist of all the heads or any members of all organized police or detective departments of all incorporated cities or State department of the United States."

Chief McGarigle submitted the following as a third section of the constitution, and it was adopted:

"The representation in conventions of this association shall be as follows: All incorporated cities shall have one representative, and one additional representative, as named by the respective Chiefs of Police, for every 50,000 population, and all heads of detective agencies holding commissions from the government of any State."

The minor sections of the constitution were then read and disposed of as a whole.

Chief Schmidt reported for

THE COMMITTEE ON SUBJECTS,

which was appointed to select subjects for discussion. The report was as follows:

"The matters embraced within the scope and intent of the call, as well as the address of his Honor the Mayor and Superintendent McGarigle, may be enumerated under the following heads:

"1. The grand jury system, and legal delays in trials of criminals, and the present difficulties of extradition between the various States of the Union.

"2. Our private detective agencies.

"3. Interchange of facts between the various departments, and exchange of photographs of dead or criminals.

"4. For improving the condition of neglected and abandoned youth of the country of both sexes.

"5. To provide a systematic plan of transmitting detective information throughout the several cities of the Union for the better prevention and detection of crime.

"6. For our consideration of the question of the social evil.

"7. On the subject of rewards.

"8. For a perfect system of police telegraphy.

"9. The propriety of establishing police-insurance.

"10. The appointment of members of police forces.

"11. Increase of the punishment in certain cases of felony.

"A consideration of the subjects above mentioned being of primary importance, your committee would respectfully recommend that they be referred to their order to special committees, to be appointed for that purpose, and to report at a meeting, the day and place to be fixed by this convention, and, in case a committee cannot report in person, forward said report in writing to the Secretary."

The report was unanimously adopted as read.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

was then proceeded with, and the following were elected: President, Chief William J. McGarigle, of Chicago; First Vice-President, Chief F. B. Kennett, of St. Louis; Second Vice-President, Chief E. S. Wright, of Cincinnati; Third Vice-President, Col. Shaumberg, of New Orleans; Corresponding Secretary, Clerk Austin J. Doyle, of Chicago; Record ng Secretary, Clerk Joseph Mitchell, of Pittsburg; Treasurer, Chief J. W. Schmidt, of Cleveland.

Votes of thanks were given to Mayor Harrison and Chief Lyman, of Lincoln, Neb., for their services as Chairman and Secretary respectively; to the Council of the city for the use of the Council Chamber during the sessions of the convention; and to Superintendent McGarigle for courtesies extended.

MUTUAL AID.

Superintendent McGarigle offered the following resolution, which was passed unanimously:

"Resolved, That we, the representatives of the police departments of our respect.ve cities, in convention assembled, pledge ourselves to use all legal measures in our power to assist any and all officers from other cities who may have legal papers for the extradition of any criminal or fugitive from justice from their State or Territory, and that we deplore any and all technicalities used by the legal profession to prevent or obstruct the extradition of said criminal to his or her destination, giving them a speedy trial, and we urgently recommend that laws be so amended as to remove such technicalities."

It was decided that the official proceedings of the convention, together with the necessary committees, to be appointed hereafter by the President, and that copies be sent to the Chiefs of Police in all cities of over 10,000 population.

Prof. Barrett then briefly explained the workings of the police telegraph system in use in Chicago, which was highly interesting to the visitors.

The convention then adjourned.

CALLING THE PATROL.

At 2 p. m. a parade of the police force was given for the entertainment of the visiting delegates. Some 250 men assembled on La Salle street, near the City-Hall, and marched from there on Adams street to Michigan avenue. The delegates were driven in carriages to the Exposition Building, where they took a position on upper balcony, and the police, under Maj. Heinzman, were marched in review, headed by Maj. Nevaas' drum corps. They presented a very fine appearance and marched well, giving the visitors a good impression of the Chicago force.

Entering the carriages again the delegates were driven back to the City-Hall, from thence to the Armory, and finally to the corner of State and Twelfth streets, where an alarm was turned in from the police patrol box. The Armory wagon reached the spot in three minutes, and it was discovered that the driver had been th

THE RAILROADS.

Partial Solution of the Ticket-Commission Problem.

The Reformers Agree Not to Allow Their Agents to Receive Bribes.

A Temporary Truce in the Kansas City Passenger War.

The Ticket-Commission Reformers—They Agree that Their Own Agents Shall Not Receive Commissions, but Will Continue to Pay Commissions to Those of Other Roads.

The General Ticket and Passenger Agents were considerably put out when they took up yesterday morning's TRIBUNE and found that it contained a full and accurate report of their proceedings at the meeting the day before. When the meeting had been called to order again yesterday morning quite an animated discussion took place. A number of those present wanted to know how in thunder THE TRIBUNE managed to get the report of the proceedings, and the names of those present, and who voted and spoke on the various subjects before the meeting, when the doors were locked and bolted and every member was pledged not to reveal anything to the reporters. Great efforts were made to find out the leak, but all swore to their innocence with the most solemn faces. Some of the brave ones who were not afraid to call down upon themselves the wrath of the dreaded Ticket agents said they felt rather glad that THE TRIBUNE had obtained and published a report of the proceedings, as they had no business to surround their proceedings with such mystery. They had been doing nothing of which they needed to feel ashamed, and therefore a report of the proceedings should have been furnished the press, and so much as was of no public interest only should have been suppressed. Angry as most of the General Passenger Agents were that they had been completely given away and their identity with this measure made known to the ticket agents, whose vengeance they dreaded, yet they all admitted that THE TRIBUNE report was eminently fair, and treated the subject under discussion in the proper spirit. Since it was no longer a secret who attended the meeting and took part in the discussion, the delegates assumed a bolder attitude. The castigation they received for sulking in their tents and refusing to show their war colors had a marked effect upon them all, and what was accomplished was due to that fact. Although the work done yesterday does not cure the commission evil, a good start to abate the monster nuisance has been made. When the subject of abolishing the payment of commissions for the sale of tickets to ticket agents again came up for discussion, it was found that one portion of the agreement submitted the day before, and which parties to the agreement should take their tickets off sale from those roads which refuse to join the agreement, and insist in allowing their ticket agents to receive commissions and continue to pay commissions to those of other roads—should be adopted, because a large majority seemed to be afraid that such action would injure their own roads far more than those we eh they sought to punish. They were all perfectly willing to prohibit their own agents from receiving commissions from other roads, but they were not willing to agree to stop the payment of commissions to the agents of other roads as long as so large a number of roads remained outside of the combination. These General Passenger Agents were all alive to the fact that it made a great difference whose ox was gored. They felt no reluctance in taking any action desired against their own agents, who had not the power to injure them, but they would not engender the enmity of the ticket agents of other roads, who could injure them by discriminating against their roads.

Most of those present at the meeting had all placed themselves in the attitude of re-formers, they could not very well afford to adjourn without doing something, and to show that they were really animated by a desire to wipe this commission nuisance out of existence, they decided to adopt an agreement which left out those sections which provided for the stopping of the payment of commissions to other lines not parting to the agreement. They took the position that half a loaf was better than no bread at all.

Consequently the following agreement was drawn up, considered section by section, and finally adopted by nearly unanimous vote:

Memoranda of agreement in effect on and after Feb. 1, 1882, unless otherwise ordered by our managing officers:

The undersigned, for himself and for the railroad company he represents, hereby pledges himself and his company to faithfully enforce the following agreement:

First—On and after Feb. 1, 1882, his company will not permit any ticket agent in the employ of his company, for himself or by or through any other person for him to accept, any remuneration or gratuity whatever from any quarter whatever, save from the company or companies of which he is the publicly recognized and duly authorized ticket agent.

Second—To at once cause the summary and absolute discharge of each or any ticket agent of his company who may have been shown to, or have been known to violate, in any way, Clause I of this agreement.

Third—To cause such orders to be given to the ticket agents of his company as will cause said ticket agents to sell to passengers tickets by the routes selected by the passenger, and to sell all other business ticketed at his office without fear or favor by the route or routes which may be designated by his General Ticket or Passenger Agent.

Fourth—To prevent, by every means in his power, all discrimination in sales of ticket agents of his company, and to cause the summary dismissal of any ticket agent of his company who may be guilty of such discrimination.

Fifth—To request all railroads and all transportation lines not to pay any ticket agent of his company any commission or other remuneration for such year or forbearance in connection with the sale of tickets, or for advertising, or for any real or pretended service in connection with the sale of tickets, or for advertising, or for any real or pretended service in connection therewith, and also to certify them that he will use his best endeavors to prevent any form of discrimination in their favor by his ticket-agents in case they continue to pay commissions to said agents.

Sixth—It is agreed that the placing of its tickets by any railway or transportation line at points foreign to its own territory and local to the lines of any railway or transportation company, issuing coupon tickets over the line of the company so doing is a revolution of all correct principles of trade, and the railway or transportation company so doing shall be considered a common enemy of the lines endeavoring to sustain the principles of the agreement, and shall subject said line to the withdrawal of commercial relations with it by the lines parties to this agreement upon a unanimous vote of the members interested in a meeting called for the purpose of considering the same. The same penalty shall apply in like manner to any rate value may by the payment of commissions or otherwise directly divert the control of sale of tickets from the regular authorized agent of said company.

Seventh—No baggage shall be checked beyond destination of ticket by the road employing the baggage agent having charged the checks.

Eighth—We agree to prohibit our respective ticket agents from giving or sending to any outside company, or to any individual, any order, voucher, or other statement that shall give all or any portion of his ticket sales, and also to prohibit said ticket agents from allowing any person, saving the properly authorized officers of his company, to have access to his ticket-stubs, or other property in his custody by which it would be possible for his ticket sales to be known.

Ninth—It is further agreed that, should any ticket agent be dismissed for violation of this agreement, he shall not for one year after his dismissal be employed, employed, or paid by any company party to this agreement, in any capacity connected with the sale of coupon tickets.

The agreement was signed by the representatives of the following roads: Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, Indiana, Bloomington & Western, Illinois Central, Union Pacific, Chicago & Northwestern, Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific, Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Pennsylvania Railroad, Texas & New Orleans, Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fé, Scioto Valley, Louisville & Nashville, Sioux City & Pacific, Milwaukee & St. Paul, Missouri Pacific, Texas & Pacific, St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern, International & Great Northern, Kansas City, St. Louis & Council Bluffs, Eastern Illinois, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis & Chicago, Burlington & Missouri River in Nebraska, Chicago & Pennsylvania Railway Company, Chicago, St. Louis, Vandalia Line, Hannibal & St. Joseph, Illinois Central, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, Grand Rapids & Indiana, Lehigh Valley, Mobile & Ohio, Toledo, Peoria & Decatur, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé, Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern, Lake Erie & Western, and Kansas Southern had representatives at the meeting, but they did not vote on the agreement or sign it.

It was suggested that the roads parties to the agreement should form into an association, to be known as "The International Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents." No permanent organization, however, was effected. Mr. W. H. Dixon, who deserves much credit for the excellent work he has done to bring about a reform in the commission system, was succeeded by the election of Secretary pro tem. Mr. Dixon was instructed to have the agreement printed and send a copy thereof, together with a record of all other action had at the meeting, to the roads not represented at the meeting, and request them to sign the agreement and return it to him. He was also instructed to call another meeting, to be held at the Grand Pacific Hotel, in this city, for the third Wednesday in January.

A vote of thanks was also tendered to the proprietors of the Grand Pacific Hotel for courtesies extended. Before adjournment it was resolved that the Secretary furnish the members of the press with a report of the proceedings of yesterday's meeting, as THE TRIBUNE would be certain to get the proceedings anyway. The Spartan band which did such herculean work during the last two days feel much elated over their achievement. They think a good beginning has been made, and better results will speedily follow. Although their number was small compared with the total number of roads in the country, yet they claim to control about 30,000 miles of road, which is out to be messed at. They calculate that nearly all the other roads in the country will speedily join the combination. The only roads which are dead-set against the movement are the Erie, Atlantic & Great Western, Grand Trunk, and Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific. It is anticipated that at the next meeting from 100 to 150 roads will be represented, as the General Managers of most roads are known to favor this reform movement.

A Temporary Truce in the Kansas City Passenger Fight.

The General Passenger Agents of the roads leading east from Kansas City and the Kansas City Ticket Agents met at the Grand Pacific Hotel yesterday afternoon for the purpose of settling the troubles regarding passenger rates east from Kansas City. One or two of those present thought that owing to the unavoidable absence of Mr. James Charlton, of the Alton, no definit action should be taken at this time. Although his representatives were present and claimed to have full instructions, yet it was thought it would be better to have Mr. Charlton himself present. It was argued on the other hand that the meeting should be held now, as it is almost impossible to prevent the cutting of rates from Kansas City any longer. The deposit of $100 which the local agents at that point had deposited to insure their good faith in maintaining rates had been withdrawn, and if any one cut the rates he could not well be punished unless his road might see fit to take him to account for it. It was finally resolved to adjourn to a date not later than the second Tuesday in January, by which time it is expected that Mr. Charlton will be able to attend; in the meantime the various roads were to strictly maintain the sheet-rates now in force.

A Denial from the Pennsylvania Company.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 16.—The statement which has been going the rounds of the press, and which had its origin in Chicago papers, that the Pennsylvania Railway Company had established rates on the basis of 15 cents from Chicago to New York, is denied by William Stewart, General Freight Agent, who says the statement is incorrect and so general in character as to mislead in so far as the inference is held that, because of a reduction in provision rates, the rates on all other articles will follow. On the contrary, the Pennsylvania Company has not since Oct. 25 transported flour, grain, or other binding staple commodities at less than the tariff adopted on the above date, of 20 cents on grain from Chicago to New York.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 16.—The reports that a reduction of 15 cents in rates, either on the limited or unlimited tickets, will be made by the Pennsylvania Railroad is denied by the officials.

The Baltimore Merchants and the Trunk Line Freight War,

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 16.—At a largely-attended meeting of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association of Baltimore held today the following was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The New York Board of Trade and Transportation have adopted certain resolutions indorsing the course taken by the NEW YORK Central & Hudson River Railroad Company in refusing to come to terms with the other trunk lines in regard to freight except at equal rates to all seaboard cities, thereby ignoring differential rates, which we claim is due our markets; therefore,

Resolved, That this association earnestly indorse the course of the Presidents of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania Railroad Companies in contending for what Nature has given us, and that this association urge the officers of these corporations to continue to demand such differential rates in any settlement of the question.

The International & Great Northern Completed to the Rio Grande.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 16.—Dispatches received at the headquarters of Gould's system say the International & Great Northern Railroad is completed to Laredo, on the Rio Grande, and trains will run through in a few days.

Resignation.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 16.—S. M. Felton, General Superintendent of the Pan-Handle Railroad, has tendered his resignation, to take effect at once. Mr. Felton severs his connection with the Pennsylvania Company entirely, and will assume the position of General Superintendent of the New York & New England Railway.

A New Road in Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 16.—A charter has been granted the Red Bank & Youngstown Railroad Company, capital $4,878,000. The road will run from a point one mile east of Red Bank, Clarion County, to a point on the boundary-line between Pennsylvania and Ohio, near where the Mahoning River crosses the line in Warren County, a distance of sixty-five miles.

Miscellaneous Items.

It was a picnic day yesterday for the boys in the Burlington offices. Every man in the building was required to bare his arm for the little vaccine teaser.

Col. A. C. Davis, General Passenger and Ticket Agent of the Kansas City, St. Joe & Council Bluffs, left for St. Louis last night and from there will go to New York.

The Alabama & Great Southern Railroad announces that on and after Jan. 1 the local passenger fare of that road will be reduced from four to three cents per mile.

Next Monday, in addition to changing the time of the Hyde Park trains, the Illinois Central Road will put on one or two entirely new suburban trains, to be run between Chicago and Grand Crossing.

It is believed that the trip of ex-President Forbes, General-Manager T. J. Potter, and Chief-Engineer R. J. McClure, of the Burlington, to California has something to do with the building of a road from Denver west by the Burlington Company.

The Chicago & Alton Road announces excursion rates from all stations to all stations during the holidays. Tickets for Christmas to be sold Dec. 24, 25, and 26 are good to go on day of sale only, and good to return up to and including Dec. 27. A similar rule applies to the New-Year tickets.

Mr. George McMillan, formerly with the Milwaukee & St. Paul and Baltimore & Ohio Railways in this city, and during the last two years Southeastern Passenger Agent of the Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis & Chicago at Cincinnati, has been compelled to tender his resignation on account of ill-health.

Next Sunday the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad will give effect to a general change in time at the intermediate stations on the Galena, Iowa & Western Iowa Divisions. No changes will be made in either departures from or arrivals in Chicago. The object of the change at the intermediate points is to better facilitate connections.

The Northern Pacific Company announces that having completed its road to Miles City, a limited amount of business will now be taken by the following additional points, subject however to its convenience of the construction department west of Glendive: Milton, Fallon, Terry, Morgan, Tilley, Miles City, and Fort Keogh.

There came in by the Rock Island yesterday three car-loads of silk-worm eggs, which represented a value of $4,000. This valuable cargo left Council Bluffs by the regular Rock Island passenger train Thursday evening, and arrived here yesterday afternoon at 2:30. The Star Union Line takes them east by the Pennsylvania route, and they started on their journey again at 9 o'clock last evening. These silk-worm eggs came from Japan, and are destined for France.

It is reported that on Jan. 1, 1882, Mr. M. H. Smith will assume the position of Traffic Manager of the Louisville & Nasaville Railway Company. Mr. Smith was formerly General Freight Agent of this road, and about three years ago he resigned to accept the position of General Freight Agent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. A few months ago he resigned this position, and at present is the General Agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at New York. Mr. Smith has the reputation of an able and efficient freight man.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul gives notice that the following new stations on the Council Bluffs Line are now open for business: Hague, Ia., fifteen miles from Marion, C. P. Illingsworth, Agent; Van Horne, Ia., twenty-seven miles from Marion, Eugene F. Jackson, Agent; Vining, Ia., forty-three miles from Marion, Louis Hall, Agent; Rhodes, Ia., eighty-six miles from Marion, Frank F. Bates, Agent. In using distance tariffs the above distances are to be added to Marion mileage. The following new stations on the Prairie du Chien Division and Prairie du Sac Branch are now open for business: Sauk City, Wis., nine miles north from Mazomanie; Prairie du Sac, Wis., ten miles from Mazomanie. Mr. Chapin Moese is Agent at both stations. In using distance tariffs the above distances are to be added to Mazomanie.

WELCOMED INTO THE REFORM RANKS.

BUFFALO, Dec. 16.—George William Curtis in a lecture tonight on civil-service reform, welcomed President Arthur into the reform ranks, and trusted to see him carry out the declarations in his inaugural message.

Nervousness, debility, and exhausted vitality cured by Brown's Iron Bitters.

SUBURBAN SQUIRES.

Chicagoans Dragged Out to Blue Island to Answer Unjust Claims.

Bold Attempt to Nullify the Law Regarding Fees in Garnishment Proceedings.

Let Every Man Stand on His Rights and Demand What the Law Gives Him.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning a reporter of THE TRIBUNE entered a blind door leading up a dark flight of stairs over a grocery store in the Town of Blue Island, sixteen miles distant from the city. A sign on the blind door bore the inscription, "Asa Farnham, Justice." The use of the latter word is considered a parody, a mockery, and the refinement of satire by many who have been compelled to answer to the unreasonable summonses issued by the judicial luminary whose name precedes it. There was about the whole place a chilly, grasping, and mean feeling. In a small room beyond another blind door at the top of the stairs were gathered about a dozen persons, and ten of the dozen were indulging in unrestrained profanity.

Justice Farnham, with a huge pair of spectacles, a hickory shirt, and a loud voice, sat behind a rickety table. Another individual, with long black locks and flowing whiskers, answering to the name of Barnhard, and a lawyer by profession, sat at the opposit side of the rickety table, facing "his Honor."

As the reporter entered the room he was eyed with suspicion by the oracle on the bench and the lawyer opposit.

The representative of justice said: "If anybody having business here has just come in his case will be heard first if he will announce who he is."

The reporter stood around and did not make his identity known.

The Justice leaned over and said carefully to the attorney:

"I got a letter this morning from Swett & Bates,

THE ATTORNEYS OF HASKELL BROS.,

stating that they would not appear and defend the Jackisch garnishee. Here it is."

The reporter saw the letter. It set forth that Haskell Bros., the Dearborn street trunk manufacturers, had been garnished by the firm of Jackisch Brothers, Chicago, to answer a debt alleged to be owed by George Jakoisch, one of their employés, and that after having demanded the witness fees and mileage from the Constable, and having been refused the same, they had compelled him to send the demand on the back of his summons, and thereupon had decided to pay no further attention to the suit, except to notify the Blue Island Justice, Squire Worrell & Spencer, of the result of their judgments of the demand and refusal of less duly made. The letter closed as follows:

"Haskell Bros. have repeatedly been harassed upon this same suit by the men Worrell and Spencer, who claim to be doing a law and collection business. We are frank to say we regard such practice as a disgrace to the law of Illinois, and trust you, as a judicial officer, will do so too, you can to see that this outrage is abated."

The lawyer, with a grin that was ghastly yet jubilant, observed: "They seem to take it hard. Next time we will fetch 'em."

W. W. Watson was the "Justice" Farnham. There was a lull in the murmur of dissatisfaction as Mr. Watson took the stand and narrated how he had twice been

SUMMONED TO LEAVE IMPORTANT BUSINESS

and go to Blue Island to answer to a garnishee upon an employé, when he had rep-eatedly sworn and could and would say his case that the said employé was in his debt over $50.

Said Mr. Watson, who is the well-known restaurateur: "This thing is an outrage. These collection sharks, Cornell & Spencer, have made a threat that unless I will form an item of an employé's account or discharge him from my service. I have sworn that I do not owe him anything, and I demand that the judgment rendered against me, notwithstanding, be set aside."

After an effort on the part of the lawyer to show that Mr. Watson's books were wrong, and that he did not understand his own business, Justice Farnham set aside the judgment, having no other resource.

The case is cited as an example of half a dozen others that followed.

Mr. George W. Pukin, proprietor of a paint manufactory on Clinton street, had been taken before Justice Farnham, and had suffered a judgment against him on account of a bill owed by his engineer. Two weeks ago his bookkeeper was dragged to Blue Island on the same case. The case was again called yesterday.

H. J. Anderson, of No. 340 South Jefferson street, appeared to defend a garnishee of house rent claimed to be due from him to a Mrs. Barrett, who owed some one a grocery bill. Mr. Anderson said:

NEVER HEARD OF SUCH A WOMAN AS MRS. BARRETT.

R. J. Burke, proprietor of a vinegar and pickle manufactory at No. 783 West Madison street, was in Justice Farnham's office for the third time to defend himself against a garnishee judgment for the amount of a debt due a cooper in his employ, who worked irregularly under no especial contract, and who was in his employer's debt.

On some thirty other cases judgments of default were entered, and in a few continuances were ordered.

Among the latter were judgments and garnishment processes against a large number of prominent business men who have already been called to Blue Island several times.

AMONG THE JUDGMENTS RENDERED

were two or three of $8 to $15 each against the Calumet & Northwestern Railway Company, one of $31 against Jansen, McClurg & Co., one of $25 against Charles MacDonald, and others of greater and less amounts against various prominent firms who will be compelled to settle or appeal at their own cost. If they ignore the proceedings entirely and allow the Constables to seize upon their property to satisfy the judgments, and then proceed against the entire gang of collectors for trespass, it will do them no good, for the collectors are worthless, and nothing can be recovered from them. If they appear and contest the judgments and get them set aside, it will only be a week or two before the collectors will begin new proceedings in the same cases. Under the existing laws the pestiferous collection agents have unrestricted license to harass business men, obtain illegal judgments, and live well themselves by the sweat of the brows of others.

"Justice" Farnham was highly indignant at what he termed the presumptuous and impudence of Swett & Bates in writing him such a letter. The reporter asked him what he should do in the case of Haskell Bros., and he replied: "If the summons and been returned and was in my possession I would

SHOW YOU MIGHTY QUICK WHAT I WOULD Do."

The case against Haskell Bros. is a peculiarly aggravating one. Their employé, Jackisch, rented two rooms in a house owned by his father-in-law, John Field, of No. 31 Goodrich. He staid one week in the rooms and tendered one week's rent, which was refused by William McLaughlin, the agent of the house. He was then sued, judgment secured, and his employers have repeatedly been summoned to answer in garnishment, although they as often prove that they owe the employé nothing. The firm of Cornell & Spencer is one of the most conspicuous in carrying on the business. In all respects their business is as bad as that carried on in Dolton, which place has become a byword and a scoffing on account of the objection the Justice-shop collection business carried on there.

DEMAND YOUR FEES.

In the case of Haskell Bros., the Blue Island Justice left the inference to be drawn that if the summons had been returned he would have entered up judgment against them, notwithstanding the fact that they had demanded and failed to receive their witness fees and mileage. There can be little doubt that the Justice felt that the majesty and dignity of the law, as represented by himself, had been outraged and insulted by the letter of Messrs. Haskells' attorneys, and for it is scarcely probable that he would have rendred judgment against the defendants, as by so doing he would become liable to impeachment, and slight perchance be dragged from the Bench and cast into jail like a common law-breaker. The last amendment to the Garnishment law, in force July 1, 1881, specifically provides that, in all cases the person or persons for whose use a garnishee summons is issued, shall advance, through the Constable or other officer serving the same, to the person or persons so summoned as garnishee or garnishees, the sum of $1 for each person so summoned, and in addition, five cents per mile for each and every mile of necessary travel to and from the office of the Justice of the Peace issuing the summons, or before whom the case in trial, by the person or persons employed generally subject to the annoyances of the bands of rapacious collection men that infest the city should profit by the example set by Haskell Bros. and entirely ignore any garnishee summons unless the Constable serving the summons shall advance them the fees they are entitled to under the law. For the benefit of many intended victims of the collection agents, it is here stated that every person served with garnishee summons is entitled to demand and receive from the Constable for accepting service to go to Wilmette $2.40; to Blue Island, $2.65; to Dolton, $2.70; and to Lemont, $3.50. If the Constable refuse to advance the money he should be required to note the demand upon the back of the summons before it is returned to the Justice.

President Garfield's Masonic Record.

The following is the official Masonic record of the late President (untried). He was initiated Nov. 19, 1861, and passed Dec. 3, 1861, in Magnolia Lodge, No. 20, Columbus, O. At the request of this lodge he was raised Nov. 22, 1864, in Columbus Lodge, No. 30, of Columbus, Franklin County, O. During the year 1863 he was a visitor in Garrettsville Lodge, No. 245, of Garrettsville, Portage County, O. He affiliated with this lodge Oct. 10, 1863, and continued a member until 1880, having served as its Chaplain during 1863 and 1864. He was a charter member of Pentalpha Lodge, No. 331, of Washington, D. C. He petitioned Columbia R. A. Chapter, No. 15, Maryland and District of Columbia, April 4, 1866, and under dispensation was elected and received the Mark degree on the same date. He received the Past and M. E. degrees April 14, 1866, and was exalted April 18, 1866. He petitioned Columbia Commandery, No. 2, K. T., of Washington, D. C., April 27, 1866, and was elected May 4, 1866. He received the orders of R. C. K. T. and K. of M. May 10, 1866. He was elected a member of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 8, F. and A. A., June 1, 1868, and received the degree of Select Architect and Most Excellent Architect in that lodge Feb. 2, 1871. He received the fourth and fifth degrees in Mithras Lodge of Perfection, A. and A. S. Rite, May 2, 1871, eight other degrees during 1871, and the fourteenth degree Jan. 3, 1872.

AMUSEMENTS.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.

Miss Emma Abbott and her company gave last night the English version of Donizetti's grand tragic opera in five acts, "Lucia di Lammermoor." When last given here Mlle. Marimon sang the title rôle, and before her Gerster and Campanini gave to its beautiful score new meaning and the perfection of artistic interpretation. "Lucia" deserves to rank with the best of this remarkable and prolific composer's work. For many years an open borrower from Rossini, this opera is rather suggestive of the new feelings in its author's mind when he came under the influence of Bellini. Being a defeated candidate for a high reward, Donizetti was on his mettle when he wrote the music of "Lucia." Its instant success compensated in some measure for his previous disappointment, and its popularity appears to have literally increased with age. It is richly endowed with pure melody, and, in fact, for the fullness and variety of its melodies and in appreciation for dramatic fitness in single or concerted scenes Donizetti stands almost unrivaled. To properly interpret music of this nature requires almost perfect vocalization. The mind's eye of the master's thought taxes the capacity of the best-trained singers. It is only by a perfect rendering of a melody, in itself the perfection of harmony, that the auditors can appreciate the beauty of the composition. Such gems, though often given, is seldom appreciatively sung, and the opera has become worn out by its use, but by its abuse.

The part of Lucia is a favoit one with Miss Abbott. Its intense dramatic coloring at times carries the music, and its cadenzas and embellishments afford an opportunity for what is sometimes termed "vocal pyrotechnics." Now, Miss Abbott is very intense in her acting, conscientiously even if mistakenly so, and her vocal organs have been well cultivated, so that the tones of her voice, well handled, carefully and accurately rendered. There is much to commend in Miss Abbott's impersonation of the unfortunate Lucia, even while unable to indorse it as a remarkable performance. Her part in the first act was well carried with flute obligato in the third act was very skillfully done, and won her the honor of a double recall. So, too, the duet with *Ashton* in the second act, and that with *Edgar* at the close of the first, were pleasingly interpreted. But Miss Abbott's voice lacks body and volume; it is thin and unsatisfactory, and lamentably weak where it should be strong, in the middle register. This defect is one that can neither be successfully concealed or remedied. During the illness of Mr. Conly, Mr. Olmi took the part of *Raimond* at very short notice, and much of his score was necessarily omitted. Mr. Appleby does not improve on acquaintance, and was very weak in the duet with Arturo, while Mr. Stoddard seems incapable of sustaining his notes and makes his singing somewhat spasmodic. Sig. Fabrini made a good impression in the first act, and has some notes of sweetness and power connected. But his vocalization is not at fault, and was unsatisfactory toward the close. The *Normans* of Mr. Crane could not have been worse. A very good house witnessed the performance. This afternoon "Paul and Virginia" will be given with both prima donnas, and tonight "Olivette."

BANQUET TO MR. WILLIAM YOUNG.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MONMOUTH, Ill., Dec. 16.—At the Commercial House tonight some of the intimate friends of Mr. William Young tendered him a complimentary banquet in honor of the recent success of his new play in blank verse, "Pendragon," so recently produced at McVicker's in Chicago. There were about sixty invited guests present, including many of the most prominent citizens. The banquet was served at half-past 9, while the Monmouth Marine Band furnished music for the occasion. Dr. S. M. Hamilton was master of ceremonies, and the Hon. J. C. Dayton gave the address of welcome, to which Mr. Young made a feeling and appropriate response. The other regular toasts were, "The Modern Drama," and "Our Monmouth Star Artists," after which impromptu speeches were made. The occasion was a very pleasant one, and testifies the appreciation in which Mr. Young is held here, where he has always lived, and the pleasure his friends feel at his recent success.

"THE PROFESSOR."

"The Professor," which gives its two-hundredth performance at Haverly's Theatre on Monday evening, is to be played during the week. This piece had an uninterrupted run of 150 nights at the Madison Square Theatre in New York, and reports of its success in other cities have been printed from time to time. Arrangements are to be given to ladies on Monday nights, and an elaborate display of scenery is promised.

CAPTURED.

A Detective Gains the Confidence of a Gang of Coin Counterfeiters in Iowa and Causes Their Arrest.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

KEOKUK, Ia., Dec. 16.—A gang of counterfeiters have been operating quite extensively in Poweshiek County, Iowa, of late, and Deputy United States Marshal Root, of this city, having been called on by the citizens of Brooklyn, in that county, to work up the case, sent a private detective out in the guise of a traveling silver-plater. The detective, Mr. Vermilya, ingratiated himself into the confidence of some of the gang, was admitted to their haunts, and became their boon companion. After getting all the evidence necessary for conviction Deputy-Marshall Root was so summoned, and arrested John Butts, Thomas I. McKay, and John Connor, all of whom confessed the guilt, as they realized that they had been neatly trapped. The Deputy-Marshal arrived in Keokuk with his prisoners today. They were taken before United States Commissioner Leech, waived examination, and were sent to jail in default of $1,000 each. Their operations in Poweshiek County were quite extensive, and it is thought there are other members of the gang still at large. The town of Brooklyn was literally flooded with the counterfeit coin, even one of the banks being badly bitten.

MATRIMONIAL.

John H. Ives and Miss Rosa E. Moor, at Niles, Mich.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NILES, Mich., Dec. 16.—The wedding of Mr. John H. Ives, of Chicago, and Miss Rosa E. Moor, formerly of the same city, occurred at Trinity Episcopal Church, this place, Wednesday evening, the Rev. Dr. Tate, pastor of the church, officiating. After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of Mrs. Otto Moor, an aunt of the bride. The bride and groom left on the 12:45 train for the East. The ushers were Mr. Alex Graham, Mr. Harry Brainard, Mr. John Betts, of Chicago, and Mr. Ira B. Moor, of Niles. Mr. Harry Grassie, of Chicago, acted as "best man." There were also present from Chicago Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Brainard, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, and Mr. J. C. Smith. The presents were numerous and costly.

IN THE PICTURE-GALLERY.

For The Chicago Tribune.

My love and I one day did stray
Into a picture-hall,
Intent to see—so we did say—
The paintings on the wall.

When there, we found ourselves alone—
No others there to see
The famous pictures, sculptured stone,
And quaint-carved ivory.

Before the choicest canvas there
Two chairs were close arrayed;
So temptingly the pair seem to share,
We could not them evade.

And so we sat us down to view
The paintings on the wall,
When I my chair so near her drew—
How well I see it all!

And then I looked into her eyes—
They were so near to mine—
And pictures there of Paradise
I saw within them shine.

Such pictures could no artist paint—
I saw none else that day;
I cared not for the ivory quaint
That in its cases lay.

Of all the pictures on the wall
I can remember naught;
She was the fairest of them all—
A very Queen, methought.

No other pictures did I prize,
In all that pleasant place,
Than those I saw within her eyes,
And that of her sweet face.

And, when I fain would bring to mind
Those paintings on the wall,
My memory can nothing find,
And but her face recall.

BROOKLYN, Nov. 19, 1881. NEWTON S. OTIS.

BOGUS BUTTER.

Hauling Up the Retail Grocers Who Sell the Vile Stuff.

A Section of the Day of Judgment in Store for the Makers.

Wholesale Adulteration and Enormous Profits—How the Fraud Is Worked Off.

Mr. Harry T. Howe, City Inspector of Butter, yesterday appeared before a Justice of the Peace and swore out warrants for the arrest of the following retail grocers, who have been dealing in butterine and other butter counterfeits: S. Solomon, No. 7 West Madison street; J. E. La Fond, No. 350 West Madison street; Orville Holden, No. 255 Halsted street; Clark Bros. & Co., corner of Halsted and Monroe streets; Lon Merrill, No. 383 Halsted street; O. H. Ahlgren, No. 2507 Archer avenue, two cases; and Richard McDonough, No. 116 West Madison street, two cases.

The complaints upon which these warrants were issued are made out on the usual blanks, the written portion reading as follows: "Did knowingly, fraudulently, and unlawfully sell and deliver to —— an article consisting of a mixture of lard or other animal fat with butter, which said article was then and there intended for human food, as and for butter, without at the time of such sale and delivery informing said —— of the fact that such article was such a mixture, and the proportions in which said lard or animals fats and butter respectively entered into the composition of the same, and that said lard and animal fat, or either, are not harmless coloring matter, and were not used to color said article."

The warrants will be served by a Constable today, and the grocers above mentioned may as well make arrangements for furnishing bail as soon as this article meets their eyes. And while they are about it they might as well make a resolve

HANDLE NO MORE OF THE SPURIOUS COMMODITY

under any circumstances whatever. Mr. Howe, and the butter interest among commission men by which he is backed, are thoroughly determined to break up the infamous traffic. Mr. Howe intends to swear out other warrants, and cause other arrests, as fast as he is able to accumulate the evidence necessary to bring about a conviction. The retail grocer who disposes of "bull butter," and the millionaire who manufactures it without affixing the brand are to be prosecuted alike to the full extent of the law. The warrants are to be made out under the adulteration statute passed by the State Legislature last winter, which prescribes for the first violation a fine of not less than $25 nor more than $100; for the second offense a fine of not less than $50 nor more than $200, or imprisonment in the County Jail; and for the third violation a fine of not more than $1,000, and a term of not more than one year in the County Jail.

The evidence against these above-mentioned grocers is of the most convincing nature, and has been carefully worked up by Mr. Howe and a corps of Pinkerton's detectives. In nearly every instance counterfeit butter has been purchased by these under representations that it was the genuine article, but Prof. Mariner, upon testing the samples furnished him, has invariably furnished a certificate that the butter was largely adulterated with foreign fat and from 50 to 90 per cent lard. The majority of the samples tested showed from

75 TO 80 PER CENT ADULTERATION.

This state of facts can be proven when the cases come to trial, and, the guilt being clearly established, the fines imposed by the magistrate certainly ought not to be the lightest under the law, for there is large profit in butterine, and a grocer with only a moderate trade in the article might well afford to pay a light fine every time he was caught. These are the first arrests made under the new enactment, and the law should be enforced in all these cases, and the magistrate, if unwilling to impose the highest fines in every case, should take into consideration the fact that the business is very profitable, and impose fines heavy enough to make a violation of the law unprofitable in comparison.

No one supposes that these grocers have either the time or the ability to make the commodity, and the question naturally arises, "Why does not Mr. Howe strike at the root of the evil by causing the arrest of the makers, instead of the sellers?" In an interview with a TRIBUNE reporter last evening, Mr. Howe explained that he would be dodo, and speedily too. The principal counterfeiters of butter were N. K. Fairbank & Co., Peck & Bausher, Armour & Co., D. Richards, Ross & Hopkinson, C. W. Clark, and L. E. Butz. Fairbank & Co. were the pioneers in the business, and the former had capacities for making 30,000 pounds daily. The plan or system for adulteration was to add to every pound of butter a gallon of lard, and water and salt to mix. The arithmetic of the thing is: One pound of butter at 24 cents, four pounds of deodorized and purified oil of loaf lard—"neutral" as it is called by the makers—40 cents; mixing, working and coloring, 5 cents; total 75 cents.

THE ADDITION OF SO MUCH LARD

requires the addition to the mixture of nearly one pound of water and salt before it becomes salable butter. Thus six pounds are produced at a total cost of 75 cents, or a selling per pound-price of 12½ cents. The fact that it would drive pure butter out of the market entirely were its sale not restricted by law. In addition to its sale being a palpable swindle, its use is absolutely dangerous to the public health. Lard is very difficult of digestion, and melts only at 120 degrees, while butter melts at 84. It is the opinion of experts that the human stomach cannot put up with butterine in any quantity, or for any length of time, and continue well regulated. This, of itself, is sufficient reason for abolishing its sale.

Hitherto, when Mr. Howe has attempted to bring vendors of the vile compound to justice, they have escaped with a nominal punishment by swearing to have sold butterine only as such, and not as pure unadulterated butter. In proof, they have produced from dark corners in their stores firkins and pails branded with the odious derivation of the good old word butter. The bare fact that they sold the stuff to their customers at market rates of good and wholesome butter is sufficient evidence of their guilty knowledge, and they were so held, and fines were imposed under the city ordinances. It is hardly desirable that the prosecutions be made entirely without the pale of the City Government; troublesome political influence is the result, and the State law is much more severe, and it is anticipated that, when guilt is shown, fines can easily be made

SO UNPLEASANT FOR THE CULPRITS,

that we will be glad to quit the business altogether. If some of these retailers can be punished, Mr. Howe intends to immediately cause the arrest of the manufacturers, as he is already in possession of evidence against most of them. A day or two since himself and a detective purchased at Armour & Co.'s house, at the Stock-Yards, a roll of butter weighing a few ounces, which was adulterated 85 per cent. It was sold for genuine butter, and the price paid was 25 cents per pound—more than 10 cents above its cost.

Mr. Howe tells some interesting stories as to how these butterine makers manage to throw their large product on the market. Each of them has a number of agents who make the rounds of the city, drumming up the trade and selling the counterfeit butter wherever they can induce a sale or force a purchase. Some of these drummers are the most persistent sort of chaps, and when they run across a grocer who from principles of honesty or from reasons refuses to have any dealings with them, they go to every house in the immediate vicinity, and to every customer of the grocer's whose address they can obtain, and sell them butterine for butter at exceedingly low prices. When the butterine is well made and fresh, it is difficult for any but an expert to detect the difference. Another favorit resort of drummers for the butterine trade is to disguise themselves as farmers, and with a farmer-looking rig go the rounds of the neighborhood.

THE RECALCITRANT GROCER

soon finds his butter-trade completely gone, and, seeing just how his former customers are supplied, he concludes that, if they are going to buy butterine, they might as well buy it from him, and so he recedes from his former antagonism to the butterine men. These cases are, however

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PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

J. G. C. Lee, U. S. A., is at the Palmer.

H. J. Cobell, of Boston, is at the Palmer.

James S. Mason, of St. Louis, is at the Sherman.

B. F. Washburn, of New York, is at the Pacific.

The customs collections yesterday footed up $1,073.

J. T. Bayley, of New Haven, Conn., is at the Sherman.

John Fitzgerald, of Milwaukee, is at the Sherman.

Gov. Cullom registered at the Pacific on his way home.

Thomas H. Dodge, of Worcester, Mass., is at the Pacific.

Charles E. Stewart, of Pittsburg, Pa., is at the Sherman.

B. F. Shaw, Dixon, Ill., Canal Commissioner, is at the Pacific.

Peter White, President of the First National Bank of Marquette, Mich., is at the Pacific.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Wilson, of Milwaukee, are at the Palmer.

The Philosophical Society will be addressed this evening by C. C. Bonney on "National Regulation of Inter-State Commerce."

The internal revenue receipts yesterday amounted to $18,324, of which $9,858 was for spirits, $6,189 for cigars, $1,851 for tobacco, and $185 for beer.

William Smith, lately released from the County Jail, was fished out of the river at Clark street bridge last night, where he had fallen while intoxicated.

F. M. Brixas, of New York; J. S. Smithson and family, of Dublin, Ireland; E. McDonnell, of Cleveland; and Capt. L. H. Rockett, U. S. A., are among the arrivals at the Leland.

The temperature yesterday, as observed by Manasse, optician, 88 Madison street (Tribune Building), was: 8 a. m., 36 degrees; 10 a. m., 40; 12 m., 44; 2 p. m., 46; 6 p. m., 46. Barometer, 8 a. m., 29.80; 2 p. m., 29.75.

Patrick Langan and Anna Blake, who were found to be insane by a jury in the County Court Thursday, were transferred from the jail to Elgin yesterday. Neal Frell, a demented pauper, was sent to Jefferson.

Collections of North-Chicago taxes start off better this year than ever before, the receipts of Collector Vogt for the second day being $2,000. No notices for realty have been sent out, but those for personalty were mailed yesterday.

A runaway horse dashed into the rig of Mr. M. Schneider, of No. 2125 Archer avenue, last evening near the corner of Harrison and Sherman streets, upsetting the buggy, silently injuring Mr. Schneider and damaging his horse so badly that it had to be shot.

William McCarthy, 5 years of yeare, of No. 203 Sebor street, had his left arm crushed between the elbow and shoulder by a crowbar falling upon it. He was removed to the County Hospital by the Twelfth street patrol, where his arm was amputated at the shoulder.

As 6:25 yesterday morning, while engaged in repairing the Burlington track near Ashland avenue, William Walsh, an employé of the road, was accidentally struck by a switch-engine and instantly killed. The body was removed to his late home at the corner of Wright and Canal streets.

"Rudolph Fuentinos" is the unique title of a holiday book, the author of which is Mrs. Blanca C. Mitchell, of Milwaukee. It is handsomely printed and illustrated. It comprises two juvenile tales, the first of which gives title to the little volume, the other being christened "Antonia." Janson, McClurg & Co. have it on their counter.

A. R. Burnside Post, South Chicago, No. 103, G. A. R., elected the following officers at their last meeting: James Henshaw, Commander; Chas. Olsen, Commander; G. W. Richards, J. V. Commander; A. J. Scott, Quartermaster; The Fay, Surgeon; C. E. Bradford, O. D.; W. H. Ford, O. G.; A. Wilson, delegate to department encampment; G. A. Wilson, alternate.

The Rock Island express, which was late in reaching the city yesterday afternoon, ran into a freight train which was standing on the main track between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets, telescoping the last car filled with kerosene and badly scaring the whole train-force of the passenger-train. Traffic was delayed on the incoming track for some time till the wreck could be moved.

Christian August Larsen, or Christoffersen, aged 21, moulder and carpenter by trade, has been missing since last May. He arrived from the old country (Norway) about this time. He was temperate in his habits and speaks very slowly. He is tall and slender, and has heavy sandy hair. He was dressed in dark suit with pea-jacket. Any one knowing of him will please send information to L. Christoffersen, No. 168 West Indiana street.

In speaking of young Clara Greenwood, who was started for her home Thursday evening, the credit was given to Capt. Rosebold, of the Madison street station. It was he who by his personal efforts secured the young woman passes to her friends and a snug little purse of money, that will go a good ways toward replacing the clothing carried away by the proprietress from whom she so fortunately escaped.

John Tierney, a brother-in-law of Richard Barnes, who was shot by a citizen named Whitty, whom Barnes assaulted and attempted to rob, was arrested last night by Officer M. Connor, of the Grove avenue station, and is fully identified by Mr. Whitty as Barnes' partner. Tierney, who lives at No. 13 Twenty-sixth street, disclaims any connection with the assault, and says he can prove an alibi. Barnes continues to improve.

Mr. John Hise, the retiring Cashier of the Department of Public Works, leaves this evening for Arizona, and last evening some of the boys in the Water-Office, after business hours, escorted him to "The Drum," where they presented him with a gold scarf-buckle and seal as a token of remembrance and respect. Mr. Walter Williams made the presentation speech, and Mr. Hise was too much overcome to respond. Afterwards there was a couple of hours of thorough conviviality.

Louis Smith, a negro, was arrested and locked up at the Armory last evening by Detectives Ender and Long upon a charge of burglary. Some time ago the residence of "Billy" Bassett was burglarized, the thief getting away with a gold watch and chain, and leaving behind him a cuff which was peculiar in that it was made of a cloth covered with red polka dots. This cuff was turned over to Detectives Ender and Long, who, upon finding the same in Smith's house, concluded it was upon the strength of this that he was arrested.

George Richard Elder, a wooden-legged old negro familiar to the frequenters of the Northwestern depot at Wells street, was arrested last night by Detectives Stillfort and Wiley, who found him in the possession of a blue-silk dress, three silk waists, and a bolt of cloth identified by the Berlin Suit Company as State street, as part of $800 worth of stuff stolen from their store a few months ago. The old darky says he "found" the plunder, but his actions are suspicious, and the police do not place much faith in his statement.

Cyrus H. McCormick, who has already given $150,000 to the Presbyterian Theological Seminary of the Northwest, yesterday added to his generous donations by giving to the Treasurer, Mr. James Graham, Room 30, 152 La Salle street, $50,000 more, which will go to increase the endowment fund of the institution. The principal is never to be touched. The money is to be loaned out on long time on real-estate security in Chicago, or improved farms in Northern Illinois, and the interest thus obtained will be used in paying the salaries of the professors.

Dan Magee, a man employed at Pullman, and who has an uncle living at No. 3531 Prairie avenue, was found lying unconscious upon the Illinois Central track, near Pullman, yesterday morning, badly injured, and was carried to St. Luke's Hospital. Being refused admission there, he was taken to the County Hospital, where he revived sufficiently to state his name and residence, and to explain that he was accidentally struck by an engine. Shortly afterward he expired, his neck having been partially dislocated. The body will be taken in charge by his friends.

The Painters' Union held a regular meeting last night at No. 182 Washington street. The chief topic of discussion was the wages for next year. The past season painters have been getting almost any wages they could, the average being about $2.50 per day. The decision of the meeting was that after the 1st of next April a uniform price of $3 per day shall be charged for their labor. An address will be prepared and sent to the bosses at once informing them of this action. Then, in due time, a committee will wait upon them to get their answer. It is expected the reply will be favorable. The painters have fixed their wages this early in order to give all interested due warning.

The Saloonkeepers' Association held a regular meeting yesterday afternoon at "Quincy No. 9," and transacted routine business, at the close of which a general meeting was held, with President Clement in the chair, when views were exchanged on the license question. Mr. Theodore Gottschalk addressed the meeting at considerable length on the subject, after which a resolution was adopted authorizing the appointment of a committee of four, comprised of the Presidents of the four Saloonkeepers' Associations in Chicago, to wait upon the Mayor and ascertain whether the license question would be referred to the Council or not, and, if so, if the Saloonkeepers' Associations could not be represented in the committee.

Frank T. Nelson, lately an employé of Bristol, Lloyd & Co., hardware dealers, was before Justice Boyden to answer the charges of forgery and obtaining goods by false pretenses preferred against him by that firm. He waived examination and went to jail in default of bonds in the sum of $2,000. A statement which prompted the proceedings was that Nelson had taken about $50 worth of revolvers. Nelson himself, who is a young and intelligent-looking man, treats the matter very lightly, and says that the matter is one of very little importance; that he will clear himself when the time comes; and that meanwhile he prefers to remain in jail.

Gov. Cullom arrived in the city at noon yesterday, on his return from his trip to Dundee. A reporter called a few minutes after his arrival at the Grand Pacific Hotel and asked for his views and opinions on the matter of the tender for the resignation of Gen. Torrence. In reply he said, "Gen. Torrence is still the Brigadier-General. I cannot say more than that." The Governor was subjected to a categorical question as to whether he had or had not requested the General's resignation. His only answer was, "I cannot consent to be interviewed on that question. In the present condition of the militia, I do not think it advisable to reply to any questions," and the reporter bowed himself out.

The Ladies' Flower Mission, which since last Monday has been holding daily meetings at the Athenæum for the purpose of making evergreen wreaths with which to decorate the hospitals and other charitable institutions of the city Christmas day, finished its labors yesterday. The meetings throughout the week were well attended, and the industry of the ladies resulted in the completion of 500 beautiful tributes, which will be distributed, one for each cot in the various hospitals, Christmas Eve. The County Hospital will receive 300; Hospital for Women and Children, 20; Aiexian Brothers' Hospital, 60; St. Joseph's Hospital, 60; St. Luke's and the Home for the Friendless, instead of "cot wreaths," will receive festoons, and larger wreaths for the adornment of the wards. Before adjourning the mission extended thanks to the management of the Athenæum for the gratuitous use of the hall, and also to non-members who kindly assisted in the work and contributed material.

The Parish Aid Association of St. James' Episcopal Church desire to warn a benevolent public against listening to the story of a certain Mary C. Fagan and her husband Maurice. The former is in the habit of calling at private houses, asking to see the lady resident there (whose name she is generally provided with), and, producing a prayer-book and a newspaper, tells a pitiful story of the death of all her children at Memphis, and her own need of assistance until work can be obtained. In the newspaper is an account of these supposed deaths with some verses appended in memoriam. The story is well told and her references are so good that she almost invariably gets the assistance she asks for. But the stories are not true, and the references have no foundation. Work has been obtained several times for both man and wife but they don't accept it, and prefer to be seen forever seeking it. These people have succeeded in getting so much money from the charitably disposed, and are known to be such complete frauds, that this publication has been deemed a duty.

The Citizens' Association has a committee on the subject of public buildings, investigating theatres and other places of amusement, whose report was put in type some time ago, and has only been withheld from publication because the manager of one of the theatres desired a short time to retain the article prepared by the committee when they visited his house. The recent calamity in Vienna, the most appalling which has been recorded in the history of public buildings, has awakened further interest in the subject, and the committee, which is composed of Messrs. Fred Baumann, P. B. Wight, Ed Burling, J. M. W. Jones, Marx Wineman, George M. How, and H. N. Holden, met yesterday afternoon, and directed the secretary to keep back the report until further examination is made of some of the structures in the light of recent developments. A sub-committee was appointed who will immediately make the proposed examination, and if it be deemed necessary will give the results of their investigation to the public in advance of the regular report.

A DOCTOR CENSURED.

The Coroner's jury in the case of Daniel McLellan, the Grand Trunk switchman, the mishap to whom was mentioned in yesterday's Tribune, returned the following verdict:

"That the said McLellan came to his death Dec. 15 from shock resulting from injuries received on the night of Dec. 14 by being struck by engine No. 64, drawing passenger train No. 1 on the Chicago & Alton Railroad, at or near the horseshoe factory, Brighton Park. We, the jury, find from the evidence that neither the railroad company nor its employés are in any way to blame for the accident, but we find that Dr. Price, who was sent to attend the deceased, was guilty of great cruelty and neglect in permitting him to lay twelve hours without attempting to relieve his sufferings in any way."

In justice to Dr. Price it should be stated that one of the witnesses testified that he (Price) came to the round-house, where McLellan had been taken, and remained three-quarters of an hour. He said that the case was absolutely hopeless—that the man would die within an hour—and that nothing could be done to make him easier. McLellan, however, was kept in the cold round-house in his mangled condition all night. He was unconscious when found beside the track, with his skull crushed in and one leg off, and remained so until his death at 9 the next morning.

THE CIGARMAKERS.

The representatives of the Cigar-Manufacturers' Association have sent to Collector Harvey a copy of their memorial for a reduction of the tax, as already printed in The Tribune. It represents that before 1875 the tax was $6 per thousand. The present rate of $6 was established by a law passed March 3, 1875. They point out the fact that in March, 1879, the tax on manufactured tobacco was reduced from 24 to 16 cents per pound. They argue that this discrimination works an injury to the cigar-manufacturers in favor of the manufacturers of smoking-tobacco. They, therefore, ask that the tax be reduced to $3 per thousand for all classes of cigars. They state that 1,500 manufacturers in thirty States have signed the memorial. The association is represented by H. B. Franklin, G. Wagenfuehr, and John St. Wenke. They ask the Collector to forward the memorial to Commissioner Raum.

THE CITY-HALL.

There were thirty deaths reported at the Health Office yesterday.

The Controller will commence paying interest due in January at the City Treasurer's office Monday morning.

Assistant City-Attorney Knight will go to Indianapolis this evening to take depositions in the Hensley cases.

John W. Lyons has been appointed Cashier of the Department of Public Works, to succeed Mr. Hise, who goes to Arizona. Mr. Lyons was for ten years in the employ of the Michigan Central Railroad, and for four years its Assistant Cashier here. He had no difficulty in qualifying in bonds of $30,000.

The Mayor said yesterday that the idea of putting all the telegraph poles and wires along the lake-front was not a new idea, as he had suggested such a scheme to President Evans, of the Mutual Union Telegraph Company, but the Illinois Central Railroad owned too much along its right of way even to listen to such a proposition.

Building permits were issued yesterday as follows: H. S. Nichols, two-story and basement barn, 24x48 feet, southwest corner of Michigan avenue and Twenty-eighth street, to cost $4,000; A. J. Snell, six three-story and sub-cellar dwellings, 100x55 feet, Sheldon street, between Washington and Madison, to cost $24,000; C. B. Dupee, four-story addition to factory, 24x30 feet, No. 1216 Wabash avenue, to cost $6,000.

Ald. Riordan was around the City-Hall yesterday with war-paint on. He denied to The Tribune reporter that he had violated the law, and defied any one to show that he did. All he claims to have done is to have changed a peaked to a flat roof, and raised a shed wall. He also took out the sills on one side of a shed barn, where they were rotting away, and put in new ones. Furthermore, he took the old boards off and laid them on the roof and put new boards on the side of the building. The building, he claims, is now but twenty by twenty-four feet and sixteen feet high. He had no permit to do the work, and in that he violated the law. However, Ald. Riordan will have a chance to explain before Justice Ingersoll, as Inspector Crowne was compelled to enter a complaint.

The Committee on Harbor and Bridges met. They determined to request an estimate of cost of a swinging bridge at Deering street. The ordinance for the lifting up of the river to grade from the north line of Lake to south line of Harrison street, and cutting a canal sixty feet wide from the Chicago River to Sixteenth street direct to the lake, was recommended to be placed on file. The Committee recommended that a four-track bridge be built over Jackson street, to be operated by steam. They had a number of plans of bridges before them, prepared by A. Toelner, of Milwaukee. The Committee recommended that the city pay a premium of $5,000 for an approved plan for bridges, the Council to approve of the plan.

The Committee on Railroads met. The proposition of the Fort Wayne Railroad to shift its tracks on Stewart avenue and widen the bridge on the same street was discussed, and a long opinion on the subject by Corporation Counsel Adams was read by Chairman Bond. The matter was laid over until next meeting. The ordinance of the Wabash Road for a track on Thirty-ninth street and along Stewart avenue to the river was again discussed, and there was present a large delegation of Fifth Ward property-holders, who are opposed to laying the track, and Mr. John C. Gault, President, and Mr. Edwin Walker, General Solicitor of the railroad company, who advocated the company's interests. Ald. Sheridan moved that the ordinance be placed on file. Ald. Sheridan, Riordan, and Meier voted in the affirmative and Ald. Bond in the negative.

Mayor Harrison said yesterday that he had, within the past few days, received numerous complaints from people who believed that Haverly's Theatre was unsafe. He determined, therefore, to look through it, and yesterday afternoon quietly strolled in and made a careful examination in company with one of the watchmen. He found the means of exit far better than even he (the Mayor) was aware of, and he thought that this was something that the public should know. The exits from the sides and stage were perfect, and the doors all opened outward, so that in case of a stampede there could be no barricade formed. While he was in the building Mr. Carson came in, and the Mayor suggested to him the necessity of an ordinance requiring the printing on all bills and programs of a diagram for each floor showing the exits, so-forth. Carson said he would know more to go to-morrow in case of an alarm. Mr. Carson favored the suggestion, and the Mayor believed that the theatres could be induced to take this precaution without an ordinance.

THE COUNTY-BUILDING.

The Collectors of Cicero and New Trier filed their bonds yesterday and got their books.

Michael Whalen, of the Stock-Yards, was yesterday arrested by Sheriff Mann, at the instance of ex-Ald. Mallory, to satisfy a claim for about $250. He gave bail and was subsequently released.

The Committee on Jail and Jail Accounts yesterday opened bids for calcimining and painting the Dearborn avenue wing of the Criminal Court building. The bids ranged from $500 to $1,585, and it was agreed to recommend that the award be made to the lowest bidder, Henry Kelley, if he should come forward and satisfy the committee of his responsibility.

Commissioner Mattocks has been consulting the various Judges on the question of per diem of the Commissioners, and they are reported to have all concurred with him in the view that they have the power to fix their own pay. The result of his examination and inquiry will be laid before the board at an early day, and the prospects are that the per diem now allowed—$3—will continue to be drawn with the greatest regularity.

STILL AFTER THE SHERIFF.

Commissioner Mattocks took another turn at Sheriff Mann yesterday, the occasion being the consideration of the dieting bill for the last three months, amounting to $6,556, by the Committee on Jail and Jail Accounts, of which he is a member. What made the bill especially objectionable to him was the fact that it was accompanied by a request that the price allowed for dieting prisoners be raised, while he was satisfied that the present allowance was too large. In considering the bill he went into statistics somewhat to maintain his position, and cited that three years ago the allowance at 35 cents footed up only about $15,000 annually, whereas now, with an additional Criminal Court and a reduction of the price, the cost was over $30,000, all of which he could not understand. Following up his objections to the order of things, he presented figures going to show that the expenses of the Sheriff's office had increased from year to year, while the business done had fallen off, and also to show that the receipts, as reported to the board, had been reduced nearly one-half. Sheriff Agnew's annual receipts, he held, had been about $8,000, Kern's had been $8,5.0, and Hoffman's about $7,000, while Mann's for the past six months had been only $3,054. From this he went on to speak of the price allowed for dieting prisoners in other cities and in the Bridewell, which was much less than Sheriff Mann was being paid. He then repeated his arguments of the day before against the number of the employés of the office being as large as they were, and to ridicule the idea of their presuming to ask that their salaries be increased. He was allowed to do all of the talking, and the other members looked mutely on; but the result was the bill was approved, and the other points raised against the office management were respectfully turned over to the Committee on Public Service, which has charge of the items of the dieting and salaries, the understanding being, however, that Mr. Mattocks would lay a communication before the board at its next meeting covering the whole question for the future, upon which he would ask that action be taken.

REPUBLICANS TO CAUCUS.

The movement of the last few days looking to the holding of a caucus of the Republican members of the board to fix up a "slate" for the election of county employés took shape yesterday afternoon, and today an attempt will be made to do something. A meeting was held in the office of the Clerk of the Board, at which Messrs. Ender, Farren, Knopf, Clark, Klehm, Albright, O'Neill, Rheinwald, and McClaughry were present, the object being to talk over matters and agree upon a caucus, and the conclusion reached was as above. The absentees were Messrs. Senne, Purington, and Hutt, who could not be reached in time; but it is thought they will fall in line and come up smiling in the interest of harmony and their friends. The interests to be subserved are numerous, and the wrangle promises to be bitter, especially on the question of selecting the Warden of the hospital and Committee clerk. No one can foretell what the result will be. The chances against their being able to agree, however, are remarkably good, and if they should agree the chances are equally good that the arrangements they may enter into will not be carried out, for the reason that some of the members, in any event, will leave the caucus in bad humor, and for the further reason that it is very doubtful whether McClaughry will join them, especially since he is understood to have an arrangement with Democrats. The situation, therefore, may be said to be decidedly precarious for the seekers after place, for whatever the caucus may do is liable to be undone. Mr. Mattocks, for instance, who will be upon the outside, of course, is promising four solid votes for any and everything, if he can only be given Judge Moore for County Attorney; and if four members should be dissatisfied with the result of the caucus—and more than this number is likely to be—all they will have to do will be to join him, as Clerk and his friends did, to get whom they knew they must, the result will be looked forward to with much interest.

THE PREVAILING DISEASE.

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Dr. De Wolf says he will fight the small-pox so that when the cold weather is over there will hardly be a trace left of the disease. Yesterday Drs. De Bey and Wilson were added to the working force in the Southwest Division. They will go, however, wherever they are called. Dr. Washington, who once had ambition to be Master of the Pest-House, is a voluntary vaccinator among the people of his own race.

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ST. PAUL, Dec. 16.—A United States official from Northwestern Dakota, now in St. Paul, gave THE TRIBUNE correspondent today some startling facts about an insidious invasion of United States territory by enterprising British land sharks, which promises to create a serious local complication if it does not become the subject of diplomatic correspondence.

Owing to the fact that the best of the lands in Manitoba, immediately north of the boundary line, are either included in the Mennonite or some other kind of reserve, but little land is open to settlement. On account of the very superior quality of the soil in Northern Dakota the attention of Canadian immigration was drawn in that direction, and the result is that it is being settled principally with that class, and they are as good as ever settled in any country. These facts have also drawn the attention of another class to Northern Dakota who never immigrate, but remain in Montreal, Man., and who have never taken any steps toward throwing off their allegiance to the Canadian Government, who, through fraudulent means, obtain entries to public lands in the United States under the Homestead and Pre-Emption acts. The practice has been for this class of persons to come over from Emerson to Pembina, go before the Clerk of Court (who has until recently had exclusive control over the land-office business in this section, and, in fact, has been by many considered a deputy also of the land-office at Grand Forks) and sign the necessary papers for applications for homestead or timber-culture entries, which were duly forwarded by the clerk or his deputy, and, appearing all right on their face, entries have been permitted. In nearly every one of these cases there has been

NO DECLARATION OF INTENTION

to become citizens, although each affidavit for homestead says that such an oath has been sworn. The Federal official who gives me this information declares that, when the social, business and political standing of the parties who have made application to secure title to our public lands by fraudulent entries is taken into consideration, it has never been equaled in the history of the settlement of public lands, and it is only because he has been unable to find out the facts that the parties have not been brought before the jurisdiction of the United States courts. He furnishes a long list of cases of British subjects living in Emerson with fraudulent entries of quarter sections of public lands. Among them are Henry T. Lewis, Emerson; P. Cote, Deputy-Postmaster; Edwin Kemp, one of her Majesty's Customs; Henry G. Fonseca, Manager of Merchants' Bank of Canada; Messrs. Osborne & Irwin, Emerson; Crean, Agent of the Canadian Pacific; McFarlane, of the firm of McFarlane & Ross, Real Estate Agents; James Reed, grocer; O. F. Jodoin, merchant; Magnus Hovne, Emerson, and many others, all leading citizens and property-holders in the Canadian village. As to land that

AS MUCH AS 100,000 ACRES

of the public domain in Northern Dakota, including their adjacent agricultural lands, have been entered and located by these British subjects under titles regular upon the face of the papers, in many cases more or less costly improvements have been made. Land has been broken, crops put in and temporary buildings erected, and this invasion of American territory by the subjects of a foreign power has not only escaped notice, as the locality concerned, is the very last one of the Red River, had not been settled by the advance guard of American settlers, but the improvements made by these British subjects are nothing to those of American settlers, who are beginning to locate in Northern Dakota in the expectation of the land by British claims, and are beginning to attract attention. Canadian settlers are jumping the British claims in order to secure the location of their improvements, if not all of these cases contests have been commenced before the land-office, but the facts have been reached, except in the case of Henry T. Lewis, on the 30th of July, when he declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States. On the 9th of March, 1881, he made entry of 160 acres under the homestead act. At the time of making declaration of intention he was

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and had been such for some years prior thereto, and has continued subsequently to hold said office from that date to this. He has also voted at every election in Emerson held since his declaration of intention. The Commissioner, in forwarding his evidence, says:

"The fact that this party made no effort nor did any act toward severing his relations with the Canadian Government, but continued to perform all the functions of a citizen of such Government, is certainly sufficient evidence of bad faith as to warrant the conclusion that his declaration of intention to become a citizen was not honestly obtained, and therefore without force, and that he was not competent to make a homestead entry."

The United States Land Department has been investigating the matter through a special agent, one W. F. Burke, who finds that all the papers passed through the hands of a real-estate agent in Emerson by the name of Crean, operating with the Clerk of the Court at Pembina. They had been misled into making their entries by the appearance of those parties that it was all right. All of these parties named Mr. Burke and others that no oath had been taken or administered to them by the Clerk, and some of them claimed to have paid $20 in addition to the usual fee in consideration of

RELEASED FROM TAKING THE USUAL OATH.

Some claimed that the papers were not filled up as all when they were signed, but were left with the Clerk to forward to the local Land-office. All of these parties stated that any papers or certificates stating that they had declared their intention to become citizens was fraudulent. Maj. Burke procured copies of the papers in the case from the Commissioner of the General Land-Office, showed the originals to have been made in the usual form and certificates showing that all oaths had been duly administered, etc. In most all of these cases papers were executed before Robert Ewing, County Clerk of Court.

Warrants were sworn out before the United States Commissioner against the parties concerned for conspiracy to defraud the United States. Ewing has been arrested, but

THE EMERSON PARTIES HAVE TAKEN REFUGE ON BRITISH SOIL,

and decline to trust themselves within the reach of Yankee process-servers. This is the way the matter stands at present. American settlers are speedily jumping the British claims, and awaiting the completion of the improvements made. If the original occupants appear to assert their claims they will be arrested for conspiracy, and held to answer in the United States courts. This will make a curious sort of an international tangle, and may afford Mr. Frelinghuysen an opportunity to break his maiden pen in diplomatic correspondence with the British Government.

FROM OCEAN TO OCEAN.

For The Chicago Tribune.

Wave after wave of surging, restless seas
Beat the Atlantic shores from day to day,
And yearning prairies feel the mastering spray,
And yield to newer life and joys again.
The spirit in mines responds from hill and glen,
The country swirled on their Western way,
And, hurling cities where forests lay,
And happy homes from rock, and moor, and fen.
Where the vapors from Pacific's slope
Still onward, farther onward to the West:
Where ocean to ocean Golden Gateways ope—
Where waves sleep on Pacific's breast,
Where ocean to ocean there is peace and hope,
And wandering cares no longer nest for rest.

C. P. R.

A CASE OF MISCEGENATION.

Alice B. Gibson, a colored woman with an [illegible]-hued baby, a whisky eye, and a "heap of [illegible]," was arraigned yesterday at her home on [illegible] street, near Polk, and taken before Justice [illegible], charged with making threats to kill a [illegible] white man whose name is Agnes B. Mer[illegible], and whose companion is that of a clerk in the employ of A. A. Stone, a State street furnishing-house. When the complainant, the man Merrill, was informed that his life had been threatened by the black virago no one who knows him, [illegible] his countenance, but when Mr. Merrill, a [illegible] gentleman of unblemished character, had testified that he had been the husband of the lady prisoner, and in substantiation of that statement produced a decree of divorce granted to him by Judge Moran, the case was a perplexing one. The prisoner, when questioned, admitted that she had been married to Merrill, but that he had left her and married another woman, and that she had only threatened to kill him because he had deserted her. Justice [illegible] was unable to see that the prisoner had committed any offense, and dismissed the case.

UNITED STATES R VENUE COLLECTIONS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 16.—Collector Bloss, of this, the First Wisconsin District, reports that the revenue collections for the year drawing to a close have been $16,000,000.00, an increase over the previous year of $800,000.00. Pension-Agent Peterson reports that there are 25,000 pensioners on the rolls, and that the payments the past year aggregate $3,000,000.00.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

The Cosmos Reception.

The reception given last evening at the Cosmos rooms jointly by Miss Marie Brown, proprietress of that charming art room, and Messrs. Rufus H. Brandon and Frederick M. Fenety, two artists who have achieved distinction in the decorative line, was a brilliant success in point of attendance and in the display of objects of interest. Throughout the entire evening the beautiful rooms were thronged with ladies and gentlemen prominent in the social circles of Chicago, with the result of giving a glimpse of the establishment to a large number of people who have hitherto only known of it by rumor and report. To say that these people were delighted by the richness of the furnishings of the Cosmos proper and by the air of elegant comfort which pervades the apartments is but a fair statement of the general expression by those present last evening. The Chicago artists were out in large force. The display added by Messrs. Brandon and Fenety received its due share of attention and admiration. Mr. Brandon showed as the product of his rare taste in design and skill in execution a number of articles of high-art embroidery such as portieres, lambrequins, table-covers, sofa-cushions, etc., of white Mr. Fenety's exceptional proficiency as a painter of flowers from nature was illustrated in a number of very beautiful pieces. Mr. Fenety is something of a musician as well, and contributed to the pleasure of the evening by his very clever performance of some numbers on the grand piano.

The general feeling was that the Cosmos was an institution which ought to be supported, and it is reasonable to anticipate that last evening's reception will be followed by the usual large list of many additions to the names already enrolled on Miss Brown's subscription books. The following, among others, were in attendance: Mr. and Mrs. Moulson, Mrs. Catlin, Mr. John Wentworth, Miss Bessie Wentworth, Mr. and Mrs. Asta Houston, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Larned, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Jeffrey, W. L. Gale Jr., Mr. Charles Goodheimer, Mrs. H. Joseph Hensley, Mr. and Mrs. H. Drury, Miss Marie Coquelin, Mr. George H. Gay, Mr. H. L. Field, Mr. G. W. Plait, Mr. John Donoughue, Mr. H. C. Payne, Mrs. S. P. Davidson, Miss Jennison, Mr. Wm. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Williams, Mrs. Jennie Wright, Mrs. Mary Wright, Mrs. C. Adele Fassett, Mrs. Lydia J. Cadwell, Mr. H. E. C. Peterson, Mr. E. M. Haish, Mr. Frederick M. Fenety, Mr. Rufus H. Brandon, Miss Asa J. Burgess, Mrs. Joseph H. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Philpot, the Misses Philpot, Mr. C. P. Ream, Mr. S. J. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Lansing, Mr. W. S. Howard, Mr. George Pierce, Miss Ray Pierce, Mr. Charles Macdonald, Mrs. Copeland Townsend, of Ocoponowoc, Miss Julia A. Leavens, Mr. George J. Verbeck, Miss Brown, Mrs. E. A. Willard, Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

St. Bernard Rifles.

The second annual reception of the St. Bernard Rifles, Company I, First Regiment, an organization composed of members of St. Bernard Commandery Knights Templar, was given last evening at the First Regiment armory, on Jackson street, and it proved to be a thoroughly enjoyable and sociable affair, in which upwards of 150 couples took part. The principal feature of the evening was the sociable dancing, Pound's orchestra furnishing the music. The hall was elaborately decorated and festooned with evergreens. The Floor Committee consisted of Sergt. A. J. Brayner, and Messrs. George W. Fyfe, J. O. Dickerson, E. F. Kittoe, E. F. Shaffer, G. E. Elliot, Charles F. Foerster. Among the large number present were the following-named persons: Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Codin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sellman, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brayner, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Crawford, Lieut. W. A. Poulson, Miss Emma Christin, John D. Overmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. McGregor, Miss Lizzie Foote, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith, Harry Fond, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hobart, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dickerson, Miss Gussie Fuller, W. B. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Pannie Faig, Mr. and Mrs. George Loomax, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Farnung, Miss Minnie Nelson, Mrs. J. M. Lowe, Miss Grace Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. I. Larson. Miss Annie Carter, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hanson, Miss Ella Barnes, George Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Dickson, Mrs. A. Lund, Miss Emma and Miss Lincoln Miller, Miss M. E. Jones, Miss May Wollinger, Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder, Mr. A. W. Schroeder Miss Nettie Thompson, F. A. Spencer, Miss Harris, Dr. Abbie Underwood, Mrs. G. L. Beach, Miss Reece, F. A. Parker, J. A. Walker, Frank Allen, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Nacey, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ford, Misses Lillie and Nellie Goldin, Miss Armsby, Ben Jefferson, Miss Lou Ames, James Howe, Miss M. D. Lewis, H. H. McPherson, Maj. and Mrs. Tobey, Col. and Mrs. E. D. Swain, Maj. J. D. Bangs, Mr. and Mrs. Gil. Barnard, Geo. and Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs. H. Gardner, Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Russell, Lieut. Frank Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Sandford, Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Bassett, Mr. and Mrs. George Fyfe, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John Woodman, Mr. and Mrs. Guy T. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. J. H Bishop, Miss Lizzie Lotz, Ed Lyman, Miss Hanna Mason, Mr. and Mrs. C. Branson, Miss Lillie Ross, Miss Z. Sinclair, Mr. D. Smith, Miss Carrie Haight, John Helle, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Haight, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Foerster, G. G. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. G. Moulton.

American Art Gallery.

A reception took place last evening in the rooms of the American Art Gallery, being tendered by Prof. Sweinfurth to his friend Mr. D. Scott Evans, a well-known artist of Cleveland. There were present many friends and acquaintances of Prof. Swing, and a very agreeable evening was passed. Mr. Evans has placed two of his pictures in the American Gallery and they were much admired. A more extended notice is reserved for tomorrow.

REQUISITIONS.

Important Circular from Gov. Cullom.

Gov. Cullom has just issued a circular on the requisition question, which will be of some interest to the general public, and particularly to the legal profession. After citing the State law with reference to fugitives from justice, and the United States law on the subject of extradition, he lays down certain regulations which have been found necessary in the matter of applications for requisitions, and in the preparation and adjustment of messengers' accounts. Petitions must be in duplicate, and, where desired on the Governor of Ohio, in triplicate. In addition to this, they must meet the requirements of the State law and furnish the name of a fit and competent agent to secure and return the fugitive. In addition to the certificate of the County Judge, the petition must be accompanied by a certificate from the State's Attorney of the county wherein the charge is made, that he has examined the case, and believes that he has within his reach, and can produce on the trial, the evidence to secure conviction. Requisitions cannot be issued on petitions alone. Where a fugitive has been indicted, duplicate copies of the certified indictment must accompany the petition; if not indicted, duplicate copies of the complaint, duly certified, sufficient to establish a prima facie case. Where the offense is not of recent occurrence, good reasons must be given for the delay. No requisition will be issued to assist in collecting a debt or enforcing a civil remedy against a person who has left the State, and a requisition which may have been obtained for that purpose will be recalled as soon as that fact is discovered. Special evidence will be required to make it clear that the only object of the application for requisition for persons charged with false pretenses, embezzlement, and similar offenses is to secure criminal prosecution. Requisitions will not be issued for persons charged with bastardy, and that growing distinction on the part of the Executive of other States to surrender persons charged with statutory misdemeanors compels the rule that requisitions will not be issued for fugitives charged with such offenses, except in cases where special aggravation can be shown.

TAKING CARE OF THEIR INSANE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 16.—Twelve counties of the State, as stated on authority of the Secretary of the State Board of Charities and Reform, have by action of their County Boards made provisions for the care of their chronic insane, in accordance with the legislative bill of last winter. They are as follows: Brown, Dane, Dodge, Eau Claire, Grant, Jefferson, Rock, Sauk, Sheboygan, Walworth, Waupaca, and Winnebago. The County Boards of nine other counties are considering the matter, with a good prospect of adopting the plans. Dodge County alone has made arrangements for the construction of buildings to cost $25,000, with accommodations for eighty persons. The buildings are to be erected on what is known as the semi-detached plan—that is, three separate buildings connected by a narrow corridor.

ATTACK ON THE CURRENCY.

Judge Belford, of Colorado, Speaks the Sentiments of the Silver States.

Shall the United States Abandon Bimetallism and Adopt the Policy of England and Germany?

The Administration Says Yes; the People of the Country Say No.

Silver Certificates Should Be Made the Basis of National Bank Circulation, When the Debt Is Paid.

The Era of the Monopolists and the Money-Grabbers—The Covert Attack upon the Legal-Tender.

From Our Own Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.—Judge Belford, of Colorado, is one of the most pronounced advocates of bimetallism from the silver States. He has some very positive views as to the recommendation of the Administration with respect to the currency. Vigorous expression is given to those opinions in the following interview:

"What do you think of the suggestion of the Director of the Mint that we stop the coinage of silver until other commercial nations fix a common standard?" Judge Belford was asked just after he had again read the President's message. He answered:

"I desire to say, in the first place, that I have but little confidence in reaching a favorable result by any international conference. We have had at least three such conferences, and bimetallism has not been actually benefited by them. I refer to that of 1867, which was designed to secure uniformity in the coinage. That conference decided in favor of gold monometallism. Its policy was adopted by Germany in 1871, and by other minor States of Europe. Then we had the conference of 1878, which was the product of the inquiry instituted by the British Parliament in March, 1876, and the action of the American Congress in creating the same year the Monetary Commission. That conference reached no practical results.

Then we had the conference which assembled in Paris in April, 1881. There are four great metallic Powers in the world—Germany, Great Britain, France, and the United States. When the conference met in April, at its second session, a great many of the Powers represented declared their intention to adhere to a single standard, and that of gold. The German representatives declared they could agree to nothing looking to an overthrow of the gold standard in that Empire, but that if bimetallism were agreed on Germany would not embarrass the market by selling her surplus silver. The delegate from England informed the conference that the monetary system of that King dom had been established in 1816, and the Government did not propose to change it. The same action was taken by Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Portugal, Austria, Hungary, and other Powers. When these declarations were made everybody who read them knew and realized that the conference was predestined to failure.

SHALL THE UNITED STATES ABANDON BIMETALLISM?

"The question now recurs whether France and the United States shall abandon bimetallism and adopt the policy of Germany and England. The Director of the Mint, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the President virtually say Yes; the people of this country say No. And you can rest assured that in both branches of Congress there exists an unmistakable majority against the single gold standard and in favor of the continuous coinage of the silver dollar. If the President had been alive to the requirements of the future, instead of recommending the retirement of the silver certificates he would have urged Congress to have authorized the issue of certificates of based on coin and bullion. It is generally conceded that the National banking system is the best we have ever had, yet it must ultimately expire by reason of the payment of the Government bonds, which constitute the security furnished for the redemption of the notes. My theory is that the time will come when these banks will be willing and anxious to retire their notes and accept silver certificates in their place from the Government. This is the only currency we have today resting on a metallic basis. Those certificates will act as a substitute for the bonds, and a good one at that, as we are producing over $30,000,000 per annum. If you make silver certificates the medium of circulation for banks, and relieve them from the tax on circulation, it would give steadiness to the silver market, and the use of these certificates in this way will open a new demand for any surplus that may exist. In recommending the discontinuance of coinage of silver, and the withdrawal of the certificates, the President overlooks the fact that

THE THOUSAND SILVER CAMPS

in the West are stimulating labor all over this country. Look at the railroads that are being built to them: look at the thousands of men to whom employment is being given. If you stop the coinage of silver you must, in the nature of things, depreciate its value. This will depreciate the price of labor. The laborer will be compelled to measure his power to buy by his capacity to pay, and as his ability is diminished a partial paralysis will be felt throughout the silver States, and far beyond them. Suppose all the furnaces in Pennsylvania were closed down by unfriendly legislation recommended by this Administration, how long would its popularity last? Now, in the West we have all that Pennsylvania produces and more. She has coal and iron, and we have coal, and iron, and copper, and gold, and silver, and nickel, and all metals. We are as jealous of our rights as Pennsylvania is of hers, and we propose to fight for them just as strenuously."

RELATION OF INCREASED PRODUCTION TO COINAGE.

"Do you think, as some say, that the increase of silver production will of itself force a cessation of the coinage?

"Certainly not. The production of the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1881, in gold amounted to $36,500,000, and in silver, its commercial bullion value, about $57,000,000. In this country we used in gold last year in the manufacture or repair of instruments, chemicals, leaf, pens, plates, spectacles, watch-cases, watches and jewelry over $11,000,000 of gold, and over $6,000,000 of silver. And each year our population is increasing, and this enlarges the demand and use for money. Why, the world consumes annually of silver in ornamentation, manufactures, and the arts at least $45,000,000, and this country in 1880 produced but $39,000,000 and in 1881 $42,000,000. Nobody is frightened, except the leeches who want to make money dear and everything else cheap."

"What induced the Secretary of the Treasury and President to make these recommendations?"

"The same influences that have dominated these departments for the money dealers and sharks, who always have the entrée, while the tin-pail brigade who sweat and labor are never seen or heard in the corridors of the Capitol or in the passageways of the Treasury. This thing has got to ceasage, or the people will change it, to the surprise of the sovereign lords who have run this machine so long. There is really no distinct issue between the two parties today. The future will be devoted to the study of economic and financial questions, and, there being no further danger of a "Solid South," the Northern mind will take these questions into consideration, and when that time comes the people will send men to hold office for them who will legislate in their interests and not for monopolists and money-grabbers."

THE PROPOSED CONTRACTION OF THE CURRENCY.

"Do you regard the recommendations of the Secretary of the Treasury and of the President in the interest of those who desire a contraction of the currency?"

"Most unquestionably. In these recommendations there is at least an implied suggestion that the legal-tender quality of the greenbacks shall be taken away, and that ultimately that currency shall be retired. Hayes advocated the retirement of the greenbacks openly. Sherman, who is a scheming politician, desiring to reach the same result, advocated the destruction of the legal-tender quality of the greenback. We know where to find these men; they were simply pursuing the part of Western tools in the hands of Eastern financiers. Eastern men have succeeded, and the claws of the tiger are simply covered by fur. I am amazed that the East still persists in this course. That section seems to overlook the fact that the West elected a Speaker who has the make-up of the House committees. We do not propose to be cheated on this financial question, and we be unto the man who undertakes it. I have talked pretty freely on this subject, gentlemen, but I have nothing to conceal. I am for a currency composed of gold, silver, and paper convertible into coin. We have followed the lead of New York and New England too long. We had better take heed, and soon, in the interests of the mighty West.

Judge Belford will put these views before the House as soon as opportunity offers.

E. B. W.

THE KING FAMILY.

How the Ex-Wife Treated Her Former Lord to a Coat of Paint.

Celia King, a handsomely-dressed, comely, and ladylike young man of about 20 years of age, was taken to the Harrison-Street Station yesterday afternoon in a closed carriage, booked for disorderly conduct, and given a place in the witness-room to await a hearing this morning before Justice Wallace. A reporter saw the name upon the register of transient arrivals, and noticed, too, that in the column headed "Complaining witness" there appeared the name of W. B. King, a Clark-street saloonkeeper. So, therefore, the prisoner was sought out, and found to be a person who, to say the least, looked very much out of place, even as the "star boarder," in a police station. When questioned as to the causes of her detention she said that she had gotten into trouble with the man from whom she was divorced and had been arrested at his solicitation. Sixteen years ago she said she had married George King, the same man who now keeps a saloon on Clark street and calls himself W. B. King. By him she had two children, a boy and a girl, who were now respectively 10 and 7 years of age. Some years ago he had begun to abuse her, and she stood it all until one year ago, when she procured a divorce at Cincinnati, where the husband was engaged in the retail whisky business. The Court in granting the decree gave to her the household furniture and the custody of the two children, and bound the husband to pay alimony for the support of his family. For a time after the separation had been consummated King paid the alimony regularly every month. Then he gradually cut down the amount, and finally when he moved to Chicago some months ago, allowed so little for the support of those whom he left behind him that the wife and mother was sorely distressed lest her little ones should not have the care and education which she desired for them. So she decided upon a

PERSONAL APPEAL TO THE FATHER.

She arrived in this city Thursday and went to where King was known to have boarded. He had moved. Yesterday morning she learned that he was living at the corner of Dearborn avenue and Illinois street, and thither she went her steps, arriving at the house before he whom she sought had arisen. Mrs. McMillan, the landlady admitted her and permitted her to wait till King appeared. After a wait of two hours Mr. King put in appearance with a young woman who was announced as Mrs. King, formerly Miss Emma McMillan, the daughter of the landlady. Mrs. King No. 1 quickly made known the object of her call. She wanted money, because it was her right, and money she must have, to enable her to visit her children, who were in the convent at St. Mary's. Mr. King responded briefly that he had no money for her and he wanted nothing more to do with her. He was now in Illinois, not in Ohio, where the decree of divorce was granted, and was not bound, he said, to give her a cent. She then attempted to take from the wall a picture of his and her boy, and he objected, whereupon the woman down, and finally ejected her forcibly from the house. She, with true womanly instinct, picked up the nearest missile, which happened to be a brick, and threw it through the window. Then she took her departure. Later in the day, or about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, she made her appearance at her ex-husband's saloon, and again demanded money. He again refused, and she picked up a pot of paint which was being used in the decoration of the new "place" and threw it over King, covering him and spattering herself from head to foot. She then slapped him across the face with the paint brush, which was soaked with the disagreeable mixture of white lead and oil, and, in short, converted the man into an object quite ridiculous to behold. For these playful attentions she was immediately arrested. She refused to move till a carriage had been procured. When that was brought she went peaceably enough. Such in substance is the woman's story, shorn of all those bitter denunciations of Mr. King's conduct. As before stated, the case will be aired this morning at the South Side Police Court—provided Mr. King appears to prosecute it.

THE DAWSON WILL CASE.

$150,000 Worth of Property Will Change Hands in Lincoln.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 16.—The Dawson will case, involving the title to at least $150,000 worth of property, has been decided by the United States Supreme Court in favor of the heirs. This property embraces a number of business lots in the very centre of trade, the Hawley farm, northeast of the city, and Dawson's Addition to South Lincoln, which comprises an eighty-acre tract laid off in town lots. The case was tried in the United States Circuit Court at Omaha last May on a demurrer and decided against the interests of the heirs. Those who think they have a title to the property in question are Little & Alexander, W. W. Wilson, Owen & Oakley, Prof. Stuart, Prof. McAllister, Bobanan Bros., Mr. Hawley, and perhaps fifty individuals who have bought lots and built residences in Dawson's Addition to South Lincoln. The property has been in litigation a long while, and the decision of the Supreme Court in favor of the heirs, coming, as it does, at this late day, is very much of a surprise, not only to those who claim the property and have improved it, but to the citizens of Lincoln in general. The Dawsons settled here at early day and took up land from the Government, much of which is now the site of this city. The heirs are four in number, and their attorneys are Burr & Kelly, of Lincoln, and the Hon. J. M. Woolworth, of Omaha.

A DEBUTANTE.

First Appearance on the Concert Stage of Miss Blanche Smith.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

GALESBURG, Ill., Dec. 16.—One of the most brilliant and select audiences that any occasion has called to our opera-house greeted Miss Blanche Smith last evening. This was the first public appearance of Miss Smith since her return from Italy, where she has spent four years under some of the best masters. She is the daughter of Judge A. A. Smith, of this circuit, and a lady universally esteemed. It is a rare thing among our citizens to see any great number assemble to witness an entertainment of our home talent, and it was a great triumph for Miss Smith to receive such an ovation under the circumstances. She certainly may be proud of her musical acquirements. To her clear, mellow voice there is a tone of certainty and perfection of execution seldom excelled by the best operatic talent. The program was a fine selection of music, and was heartily applauded throughout. On the first encore she rendered the appropriate ballad, "The Dearest Spot on Earth," which was an excellent selection for the occasion. Miss Smith having just returned from the enchanting land of Italy, and it struck home to the hearts of her audience.

A RAVING MANIAC.

He Set Fire to His House and His Three Small Children Came Near Perishing in the Flames.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CARLINVILLE, Ill., Dec. 16.—William Wizard, residing eight miles west of Girard, Ill., became suddenly deranged last evening, and during the absence of his wife, who was away attending church, set fire to his residence, which was totally destroyed, with its contents. Three small children were in the house at the time, and succeeded in escaping in their night clothes through the back door. The fire attracted the attention of some parties residing near by, who immediately repaired to the spot and found the lunatic grotesquely dancing amid the flame and smoke of the burning building. After a sharp struggle they succeeded in effecting his arrest, and brought him to this city today, and, in the absence of Judge Peebles, turned him over to Sheriff Sunderland for safe-keeping. Wizard has been insane before, and was in the asylum seven years ago, but for the past six years was to all appearances been rational. He was very violent during the night, but is somewhat subdued today.

FISH CULTURE.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Dec. 16.—The Lafayette Fish Culture Association, at the request of the Hon. Calvin Fletcher, Fish Commissioner for Indiana, has issued a call for a convention of all those who favor the stocking of the lakes and streams with food fishes, and the efficient protection of game and fish in the State, to meet at Indianapolis on the 3d day of next month, to consider and take such steps as will secure the active cooperation of those friendly to the object of this call, and to provide effectual means to enforce the same by legislation. The Lafayette Association will be represented by State Senator W. R. Landon, Judge J. R. Cofrois, and E. H. Waldron.

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LOST—ON FRIDAY, IN GOING FROM North Side cars, or on State-st., or in stores there, a Bower-spray pin valued as a relic. Finder please return it to Room 16 Tribune Building and receive reward and thanks.

LOST — POCKETBOOK CONTAINING about $24 in money, receipt from W. A. Evans & Bro. in favor of Miss V. B. Clark, power of attorney, ticket to Chicago Musical Seminary, and other papers of no value except to owner. Finder will please leave same at 113 Adams-st., Room 45, and receive reward.

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$200 REWARD—LOST ON SUNDAY morning, 11th inst., between the Rock Island depot and Centre-st., a pair of diamond earrings valued at $2,000. The above amount will be paid if same are returned to MISS JOSIE HALL, 47 Congress-st.

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MONITOR AND MERRIMAC.
Recollections of the Fight by an Ex-Officer of the Rebel Ram—The Merrimac Destroyed at Her Dock by Her Commander.
To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune.
CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Will you permit an ex-Confederate naval officer who participated in the engagement at Hampton Roads to contribute a few lines to the very fair and impartial account you gave of that affair in your issue of yesterday morning, under the heading of "The Captain's Claim for Prize-Money"?
The battle being the first in which iron-plated vessels were used created at the time great interest throughout the maritime world, and practically produced a revolution in naval architecture—from wooden walls to iron walls.
Since the war these have been written a great many versions of this "sea-fight," more or less accurate, generally less accurate. And, as in the case of many other important events of the war, the public has been led and left in a deplorable state of ignorance of facts.
In your article you state that "one of the shots from the Monitor penetrated the ram's roof." This is a mistake; not one of the shots from the 200 guns from the fleet and shore batteries that were playing upon us pierced the plating of the Merrimac; and as a matter of fact we did not lose a man by the direct action of the projectiles fired by the Monitor.
Some weeks after the combat of the 8th and 9th of March, and while the Merrimac was lying quietly at the Navy-Yard at Norfolk, the Federal fleet, led by the Monitor, commenced a furious fire in bombardment of the Confederate batteries at Sewell's Point. As quickly as possible steam was raised on the Merrimac, and she made her way to the "front." Before we could get within range the entire fleet, including our gallant little Monitor and another iron-clad—the Galena—withdrew to their anchorage, close under the guns of Fortress Monroe, and no persuasion or influence on our part served to bring them out, or even to exchange shots with us.
This challenge was witnessed by several English and French naval officers, and as we steamed past the fleet we received repeated cheers from their decks, prompted, of course, by the defiant action of the Merrimac.
This invitation was repeated subsequently with the same ineffectual result.
The Confederate army having fallen back before the advance of McClellan on the peninsula, rendered necessary the evacuation of Norfolk and the country contiguous. There was, therefore, nothing left us but to destroy our fleet or escape up the James River. The latter course was decided upon; but, after throwing overboard all our ballast—not guns, as you state—it was found the ship still drew too much water to ascend that river, and on the night of the 11th of May, 1862, she was blown up rather than surrender her to the enemy.
Thus perished this historical vessel by the hands of her friends!
The writer of this, then a midshipman, left the ship in charge of the last boat, and remembers to his sorrow, some when her gallant old commander (Mattnew) stepped into his boat and quitted his ship forever.
This article is intended solely to supplement your singularly accurate account of an event in American history which has been so dimly understood; and with no disposition to disparage or detract from the renown of Capt. Worden and his brave crew, who, though they did not destroy or even beat the Merrimac, fought her while the utmost gallantry—and certainly saved from destruction the splendid frigates Minnesota and other ships of their squadron.
I am confident that it was a drawn battle in its result.
H. H. MARMADUKE.

IOWA MARRIAGE BENEFIT ASSOCIATIONS.
Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.
CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 16.—State Auditor Brown was in this city today and reports that all but one of the Marriage Benefit Associations doing business in Eastern Iowa—are complying with the law and will put up three-fifths of their annual assessments with the Auditor. He also found a Birth Association in Fairfield and closed it up with information that could not organize under the law.

COAL SHIPMENTS.
PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 16.—Additional coal shipments will be made as soon as the water falls—about 1,000 tonnes, of which 1,675,000 bushels are now in the river, and the balance for Cincinnati.

BUSINESS.

Stocks Apparently Growing Weaker as Money Grows Easier.

Bad Break in Denver & Rio Grande, with Damaging Reports.

Gould Stocks Weak—Pressing Demand for Loans in Chicago.

The Produce Markets Generally Lower—Provisions Moderately Active under Large Offerings.

Wheat and Corn Slow—Oats Weakened by Big Receipts—Barley Firm.

FINANCIAL.

Denver & Rio Grande broke badly, and its decline affected the whole market. The downward movement was attributed to sales compelled by the calling of heavy loans. Some of the leading financial institutions of New York have crossed the stock off their list of acceptable collaterals. The road is not paying its bills promptly; it is losing its Leadville business rapidly from the shrinkage in the yield of the Robinson and other mines; it is paying an extravagant rental for the freight-cars it uses, and the winter is coming, during which the expenses of the road are necessarily heavy and its earnings light. The Denver & Rio Grande does not own its cars, but leases them. The ordinary rental of a freight-car is half a cent a mile, and the average daily run is fifty miles, so that rented freight-cars cost about 25 cents a day each. But the Denver & Rio Grande, we are informed, pays a fixed charge of 50 to 62 cents a day for its cars, and it has thousands of cars sidetracked for want of business. It is surprising to know at the same time that the road is at this moment making its survey for an extension of its line to the Pacific coast. It has secured valuable rights of way through the Rocky Mountains. The route that has been selected for it is said to lie through better territory than the Southern Pacific, the Central Pacific, or the Northern Pacific, and later likely to command a better local business than any of the other roads.

The lack of any prevailing tendency in the market was shown by the sharp rise in Danville & Richmond, which went up twice as fast and far as Denver went down.

Money was easy at 5 per cent.

Louisville & Nashville declined 1 point on the report that yellow-fever had broken out in the South, which, considering the season of year, was not a brilliant specimen of a Wall street rumor.

Gould stocks were weak, and the impression prevailed that he was selling.

At the opening of the market the prospects were good for a rise, and the bulls were more encouraged than they have been for a long time. But the Denver & Rio Grande episode took the buoyancy all out of them.

It is a fact not commonly appreciated by the public who are interested in railroad stocks and who figure on the reports of railroad earnings, that an increase in the percentage of expenses to gross earnings necessitates a much larger increase in gross earnings in order to yield the same amount net. For example, an increase of 14.28 per cent in gross earnings is required to make up for an increase in the proportion of expenses from 60 to 65 per cent. The following equations show this more clearly:

$100 gross—60 per cent expenses—40 net.
$114.28 gross—65 per cent or $74.28 expenses—40 net.

Stockholders in estimating profits on increased earnings should bear this in mind.

Kiernan's News Agency in its report of Wednesday contained several bull "points" on Denver & Rio Grande. These are not the kind of points that "take."

It is reported in Wall street that the St. Paul Road will earn a little over $17,000,000 gross this year. It will earn, and the company will pay, 7 per cent on both common and preferred stock. The increase of about $4,000,000 in net earnings has been obtained with comparatively little increase in operating expenses. Operating expenses were a shade under 60 per cent last year. It is believed that, notwithstanding the extra expense occasioned by snow and flood, the operating expenses this year will not exceed 58 per cent.

According to the Philadelphia *Ledger*, bonds of the better and more reliable character are in little to a fair extent as investment securities, and mainly for the reason that they pay a better rate of interest. While Pennsylvania railroad shares pay 8 per cent per annum, Lehigh Valley 6 per cent per annum, and other companies seem to be approaching similar advances rates, the low rated bonds are less and less in favor as investments. There is steadily increased confidence in the business and profits of our more prominent railway improvements.

On Wednesday the following were the quotations for unlisted securities: Iron Steamboat bonds, 65@par; iron Steamboat stock, 47½@52½; North River Construction, 20@21; American Cable, 40@43; Cin. & Ga. subs., 39@35; Intl. Imp. Co., 99@99; Mexican Natl. subs., 10 dis.; Mutual Tel. subs., 90@91; Continental Con., 77@79; Den. & Rio G., 76@78; Texas & St. Louis, 85@90; Den. & New Orleans, 99@101; Pacific Imp. Co., 150; Amn. Imp. Co., 140; Texas & Col. Imp., 100@100½; East Tenn., Va. & Ga., 74; N. Y., Chic. & St. Louis, 42@44; U. P. Rights, 94@96; Ind., Dec. & Springfield, 20@22; Ind., Dec. & Springfield pref., 50; Vicksburg & Meridian, 13@14; Green Bay, Winona & St. P., 13.

The prices of stocks for the day will be found in the following table:

Stocks.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
American District	32	40	32	39
West. Union Tel.	126½	126¾	125¾	126¾
C., R. & Q.	134	134¼	134	134¼
Canada Southern	60	60	59	59½
C., C. & I. C.	24½	25	24½	24¾
Illinois Central	131	131¾	129¾	129¾
Manhattan	140	140	140	140
New York Central	130	130½	130	130½
New York Elevated	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾
Met., Elevated	91	91	90¾	90¾
Milwaukee, L. S. & W.	49	49	49	49
C., C. & I.	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾
Erie	17	17¼	17	17¼
Do preferred	37	37¼	37	37¼
Michigan Central	91	91	91¼	91¼
Lake Shore	120¾	120¾	120¾	120¾
Northwestern	139¾	139¾	139¾	139¾
Do preferred	140	140	140	140
Ohio & Mississippi	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
Omaha	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾
Omaha preferred	102¾	102¾	102	102
Rock Island	134¾	134¾	134¾	134¾
Chattanooga	87	87½	87	87½
Wabash, St. L. & P.	40¾	41¾	40¾	40¾
Do preferred	67	67	66¾	66¾
Louisville & Nashville	107¾	107¾	107	107
Mexican	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
St. L. & K. C.	30¾	30¾	30¾	30¾
Union Pacific	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾
Kansas & Texas	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
Lake Shore	120¾	120¾	120¾	120¾
Louisville & Nashville	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾
Manhattan	140	140	140	140
Memphis & Charleston	50¾	50¾	50¾	50¾
Michigan Central	91¾	91¾	91¾	91¾
Missouri Pacific	103¾	103¾	103¾	103¾
New York Central	130	130½	130	130½
New York Elevated	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾
Northern Pacific	56¾	56¾	56¾	56¾
Do preferred	79¾	79¾	79¾	79¾
Northwestern	139¾	139¾	139¾	139¾
Do preferred	140	140	140	140
Ohio Central	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
Ohio & Mississippi	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
Omaha	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾
Omaha preferred	102¾	102¾	102	102
Ontario & Western	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾
Oregon Navigation	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾
Oregon Transcontinental	39¾	39¾	39¾	39¾
Pacific Mail	69¾	69¾	69¾	69¾
Panama	135	135	135	135
Pittsburg	155	155	155	155
Reading	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾
Rock Island	134¾	134¾	134¾	134¾
St. L. & San F.	43	43	43	43
Do pref.	64	64	64	64
St. L. & San F. 2d pref.	30	30	30	30
St. Paul	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾
Do pref.	124	124	124	124
St. Paul M. & M.	134¾	134¾	134¾	134¾
St. Paul & O.	89¾	89¾	89¾	89¾
Do pref.	119	119	119	119
Texas Pacific	36¾	36¾	36¾	36¾
Union Pacific	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾
United States	43	43	43	43
Western Union Tel.	126¾	126¾	125¾	126¾
East Tennessee	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾

Government bonds were steady. Quotations were: 6s, 102@103; 5½s (as continued), 100¾@101; 5½s (6s continued), 102¾@103; 4s, 118¾@119¼; 4½s, 114¾@114¾.

Chicago bank clearings were $7,800,000. New York exchange sold between banks at 25@30c per $1,000 discount. Loans were in brisk demand at 6@7 per cent. The bankers are using large amounts of money. Currency is going freely to the country.

The new year will bring a regrettable change in the personnel of Chicago banking. Mr. John De Koven has resigned the position of Cashier of the Merchants' National Bank, and at the end of this month will sever his connection with it. Mr. De Koven has been Cashier of the Merchants' for ten years, has been President of the clearing-house for two years, and, except when President, has for twelve years held and now holds the place of Chairman of the Clearing-House Committee, who is the executive officer of the association. Mr. De Koven's name has been mentioned, though prematurely, with several financial enterprises of importance, but it is not likely that he will permit himself more than a brief enjoyment of the leisure which he has earned by over a quarter of a century of hard and successful work, which has given him a front rank among our practical financiers.

On the Chicago Stock Board there were sales of Wabash 5s, $1,000, 89¾; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 4s, $2,000, 89; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul 5s, Mineral Point, $5,000, 99½; $5,000, 99¼; $5,000, 99¾.

BY TELEGRAPH.
NEW YORK.
Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Speculation on the Stock Exchange ran largely on specialties this morning and they were marked up in the most reckless manner. In the afternoon vague rumors of impending disaster caused a sort of mild panic, and everything was thrown by the board. Denver & Rio Grande was particularly weak. So far as the general list is concerned values are ¼ to ⅜ per cent lower than at last night's closing, while the specialties have risen from 1 to 13½ per cent. The market opened 5 per cent higher for Richmond & West Point, 1¼ per cent higher for Oregon & Transcontinental, and irregular for the remainder of the list, but only a fraction either way.

The money market was again comparatively easier today on call to borrowers on pledge of stock collateral at 5@6 per cent, closing at 4@6 per cent. Holders of Government bonds were supplied at 2½@4 per cent. Time loans and prime mercantile discounts are nominally unchanged. The sterling exchange market was firm. The nominal asking quotations are 481 for sixty-day bills and 485 for demand. Actual business was done at 480@480¾ for sixty-day bills, 484@484¼ for demand, 484¼@485 for cable transfers, and 478¼@479 for commercial bills.

Railroad mortgages were fairly active and prices exhibited an upward tendency. Boston, Hartford & Erie firsts rose from 68¾ to 71½, reacted to 69¼, and recovered to 70. New Jersey Central incomes declined from 102 to 101¼, recovered to 102¼, and reacted to 102¼. Ohio Central incomes sold up from 46½ to 48¾ and receded to 47¼; Ohio Southern incomes advanced from 46¼ to 47½; Wabash firsts (St. Louis Division), from 107 to 107¼; New York City & Northern general 6s, from 85 to 88; Metropolitan Elevated seconds from 90 to 91; Mobile & Ohio first debentures from 97 to 97¾; Louisville & Nashville general 6s from 101¾ to 102¾; Iron Mountain firsts from 116¼ to 117; Fort Wayne firsts from 128 to 140, Erie fourths extended from 107 to 108. Denver & Rio Grande firsts declined from 114¾ to 113½, do constructions from 108½ to 107½, Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fé firsts from 109½ to 109. Mobile & Ohio second debentures sold at 71¼, Delaware & Hudson 7s of 1891 at 124½. Atlanta & Charlotte incomes at 95. Houston & Texas Central firsts (Waco & Northwestern Division) at 116, and Winona & St. Peter seconds at 120.

To the Western Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Governments were steady and unchanged, except 6s, coupons, which are ⅛ lower.

Railroad bonds were fairly active, Boston, Hartford & Erie being most prominent in dealings.

State securities were inactive, except for Tennessee, which are in demand.

The market opened irregular, but in the main a fraction higher than it closed yesterday. In early dealings, and up to the Second Board, the general list advanced steadily, the improvement ranging from ¼ to 1¾, Memphis & Charleston, Ohio Central, Louisville & Nashville, Nashville & Chattanooga, and Michigan Central leading the improvement. Richmond & Danville rose 1¾ from yesterday's closing, to 164; and Richmond & Allegheny 1¼, to 39. From the Second Board, prices declined rapidly, and, under pressure to sell, the market fell off from the highest point of the day ¼ to 3¾, those prominent in the decline being Richmond & Allegheny, Denver & Rio Grande, Metropolitan Elevated, Memphis & Charleston, Nashville & Chattanooga, and Louisville & Nashville. The market closed weak.

Transactions, 415,000 shares:

Canada Southern	3,400	Ontario & Western	1,400
Central Pacific	4,100	Oregon Central	2,500
C., C. & I. C.	1,300	Pacific Mail	4,800
D., L. & W.	1,000	R., D. & E.	1,000
Denver & Rio G.	26,000	Reading	5,300
Erie	21,000	St. Paul	35,000
Hannibal & St. Jo.	2,000	St. Paul Omaha	6,300
Kansas & Texas	1,200	Texas Pacific	36,000
Lake Shore	10,000	Union Pacific	3,800
Louisville & N.	11,000	Wabash Pacific	10,000
Michigan Central	3,000	Western Union	6,500
Memp. & Charleston	13,000	Robinson Mining	1,000
Missouri Pacific	1,000	Richmond & Dan.	2,000
New Haven	1,000	Richmond & Alleg.	10,000
New Jersey Central	14,000	Nash. & Chattanooga	30,000
N. Y. Central	13,000	Tennessee 6s	12,000
Northern Pacific	5,000	Norfolk & W. pref.	3,500
Ohio & Mississippi	1,200	Central Arizona	2,400

Money, 4@6, closing at 4. Prime mercantile paper, 6@7.

Sterling exchange steady at 481¼; demand, 484¼.

GOVERNMENTS.

6s	103½	New 4s	118¾
5s	102¾	Pacific 6s of '95	127
New 4½s	114½		

BONDS.

Central Pacific	115½	Union Pacific, pfd	117¼
Erie seconds	107	U. P. land grants	119¾
Lehigh & Wilk	107	U. P. sinking fund	107
Louisiana consols	70	Virginia 6s	40
Missouri 6s	101	Virginia consols	75¾
St. Jos. ofd	110	Virginia deferred	11¾
St. L. & I. Mtn.	113¾	Tex. P. land grants	40
Tennessee 6s	76½	Tex. P. (Gio G. Div.)	80¾
Tennessee new	76½		

STOCKS.

Adams ofd	143	North. Pacific pref	80¾
Alton & Terre Haute	40	Northwestern	139¾
Do pref	91	Do pref	139
American	93¾	N. York Central ex div	129¾
Boston	4¾	Ohio & Mississippi	34¾
Canada Southern	59½	Ohio & Miss.	34¾
C., C. & I. C.	25	Do pref	101
Central Pacific	39¾	Ohio Central	23¾
Ches. & Ohio	27	Pacific Mail	69¾
Do 1st pref	39	Panama	135
Do 2d pref	20	Pittsburg	155
Chicago & Alton	131¾	Pittsburg	155
Do pref	140	Reading	29¾
C., R. & Q.	134¼	Rock Island	134¾
C., S. L. & N. O.	85	St. L. & San F.	43
Can., San. & Clev.	21	Do pref	64
Cleve. & Col.	138	St. L. & San F. 2d pref	30
Del. & Hudson	107¾	St. Paul	97¾
Del., Lac. & W.	127¾	Do pref	124
Den. & Rio Grande	76¾	St. Paul M. & M.	134¾
Erie	17	St. Paul & O.	89¾
Do pref	37	Do pref	119
Fort Wayne	135	Texas Pacific	36¾
Ill. & Mo. Tel.	97¾	Union Pacific	107¾
Ind. pref	93	United States	43
Michigan Central	91¾	W., St. L. & Pacific	40¾
Houston & Texas	84	Do pref	81½
Illinois Central	129¾	Western Union Tel	126¾
L. S. & W.	49	East Tennessee	13¾
Kansas & Texas	34¾		

REAL ESTATE.

The following instruments were filed for record Friday, Dec. 16:

CITY PROPERTY.

Cottage Grove av., s e corner of Twenty-sixth st, w 7, 98 ft running to Eighteenth av, dated Dec. 1 (Charles Albes et wf), to the Conrad Seipp Brewing Company) ..... $ 10,000

West Twenty-sixth st, s e corner of Central Park av, subdivided half of 10 acres, dated Dec. 12 (F. S. and T. P. Phillips to Joseph J. Woods) 6,500

Lawndale, 111 ft s of North av, e f, 66 ft in alley dated Sept. 27 (J. R. Harvey to C. W. Peters) 125

Warren av, 250 ft w of Staunton st, n f, 24x132 ft, dated Dec. 15 (Edward Haring to Mary E. Nichols) 900

West Adams st, 250 ft e of Throop, s f, 25x125 ft, dated Nov. 29 (Hotland Mather to Edward D. Kills) 4,000

Douglas av, s w corner of Ashland, s f, 24½ 136 6-10 ft, Dec. 5 (J. C. Knickerbocker to T. and A. Sullivan) 2,300

Canalport av, 80 ft n e of Union st, n f, 20x120 ft, improved, dated Nov. 14 (Frans Kral to Marie Krisanecky) 1,100

Wallace st, 100 ft s of Thirty-seventh, e f, 25x125 ft, improved, dated Dec. 16 (H. and O. Baars to Ernst Bestram) 1,000

North Wells st, n w cor Illinois, e f, 51x100 ft, dated Dec 13 (Sidney A. Willard to Arthur W. Austin) 20,000

Fourth av, 250 ft n of Twelfth st, w f, 24x100 6-10 ft, dated Dec. 7 (Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company to Jefferson L. Fuller) 14,000

Maple st, 192 ft e of Dearborn av, s f, 22x105 5-10 ft, dated June 30 (John Sheriff et al. to Fanny L. Erskine) 3,843

Maple st, 317 ft e of Dearborn av, s f, 22x105 5-10 ft, dated June 30 (same party to F. E. Leman) 3,853

Michigan st, n w cor Rush, s f, 75x100 ft, dated Dec. 5 (Sidney Sawyer to Martin McNulty) 19,500

Hoyne av, 125½ ft s of Moore st, e f, 24x100 ft, dated Dec. 14 (J. and J. Kilan to William Loeb) 500

Central Park av, s of Sacramento Square, 5 414-1000 acres, dated Nov. 29 (William Grayson to Erastus Foote) 11,665

Five 20-1000 acres e of and adjoining the above, dated Nov. 29 (William M. Carson to Erastus Foote) 16,367

Mather st, 294 ft w of Desplaines, s f, 25x117 ft, dated Dec. 16 (J. H. F. Hensel to M. Whalen) 2,150

Hinman st, 125 ft e of Hoyne av, n f, 25x136 ft, dated Dec. 16 (R. W. Hyman to Carl Zieske) 500

West Adams st, 334 ft w of Morgan, n f, 20x153 ft, improved, dated June 17 (William Habne to F. Herhold) 1,450

West Adams st, 230 ft e of Ashland av, s f, 20x153 ft, dated Dec. 16 (W. H. Harrington to Oliver B. Green) 3,900

Bowen av, s e cor of Douglas av, e f, 62x124½ ft, dated Dec. 15 (John Long to George Gardner) 1,600

West Polk st, 178 ft w of Western av, n f, 25x 124½ ft, dated Dec 15 (J. N. Johnson to W. W. Wendell) 2,000

Clinton st, 154 ft s of Carroll av, e f, 50 ft, to alley and Milwaukee av, improved, dated Dec 16 (Vulcan Iron Works Company to William B. Farrington) 25,000

Fulton st, 40 ft w of Wood st, s f, 20x122 ft, improved, dated Dec 14 (H. M. Chapman et al. to Carl Kirchhof) 4,000

West Indiana st, 150 ft w of Hoyne av, n f, 25 105 ft, dated Dec 15 (Patrick Doyle to A. Longstodt) 950

NORTH OF CITY LIMITS WITHIN A RADIUS OF SEVEN MILES OF THE COURT-HOUSE.

Lots 28 and 29, Block 5, Baxter's part of Section 36, 41, 14, improved, dated Dec 1 (John Meral to Mary Letsche) $2,000

Same property as the above, dated Nov 30 (H. and M. Letsche to John Merki) 2,000

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS WITHIN A RADIUS OF SEVEN MILES OF THE COURT-HOUSE.

Forty-seventh st, 24 ft w of Wood, n f, 24x128 ft, dated Dec. 15 (Cyrus Bentley to Mary Lennon) 225

Forty-second st, 200 ft e of Langley av, s f, 50x 125 ft, dated Nov. 21 (George M. Hoyt to E. P. Beach) 2,300

WEST OF CITY LIMITS WITHIN A RADIUS OF SEVEN MILES OF THE COURT-HOUSE.

Heine st, 300 ft s of Cortland, w f, 50x125 ft, dated Dec. 6 (R. and E. Greenebaum to Jacob Metzler et al) 1,600

Humboldt boulevard, 50 ft s of Wabansia st, w f, 50x100 ft, dated Dec. 9 (John Daggelier to Andrew Erbrook) 750

Erbrook place, 168 ft e of Ferry av, s f, 28x110½ ft, dated Sept. 1 (Perry P. Powell to N. T. Spencer) 450

And 1,322,041 bu rye on Dec. 13, against 1,255,000 bu the week previous.

The stock of lard in New York is given at 74,000 tcs against 29,836 tcs one year ago, and 105,731 tcs in 1879.

King & Co., of Toledo, say:

Late private cables report that latest official estimates make wheat crop of France 15,200,000 bu *less* than last year. They imported 41,000,000 bu during the year ending Aug. 1, 1881. The net imports of wheat and flour during August, September, and October 18th year were only 10,-945,000 bu against 19,617,000 bu same three months last year. Their imports thus far would hardly confirm the report that their crop is 16,000,000 bu less than last year, although the high prices of wheat may have restricted the consumption, and diverted it to other and cheaper food.

H. K. Jackson estimates that the East Indies have a crop of 42,000,000 quarters of wheat. This quantity is so much in excess of expectation that one of our firms cabled yesterday to a London house asking if those figures are credited. The answer was that they are probably correct for the total crop.

The New York terminal charge on grain is 3c per 100 lbs; while the 3c at Philadelphia and Baltimore is so much per bu. In the case of through shipments to New York the 3c charge is dropped out so far as the shipper is concerned, while the shipper has to pay the 1c per bu on through shipments via Baltimore and Philadelphia.

A provision operator remarked yesterday that pork has now declined about 75c per bri, while hogs have advanced 40c per 100 lbs, since packers sold a big pile of the former for January. They have probably manufactured enough to fill those sales, but if not it will be a losing operation on what they have yet to make.

"You will never again this year see pork as high as it is now." What! never?

In answer to a question we give the average prices of spot lard in this market for the month of December in four past years:

1877	$ 7.77½
1878	5.51
1879	7.43
1880	8.48¾
Average	$ 7.29
Price yesterday	10.90

They have now introduced No. 3 spring wheat on the afternoon call, there being so little of the No. 2 that some folks are afraid it will fade out altogether.

The exports of provisions from the United States for week ending Dec. 10 for two years were as follows:

To—	Pork, brls.	Bacon, lbs.	Lard, lbs.
United Kingdom	569	3,081,524	861,010
Continent	1	83,135	242,600
Other countries	2,079	222,540	1,036,771
Total	2,649	3,387,199	2,140,381
Same week in 1880	4,054	17,451,268	4,063,200

TOTAL EXPORTS SINCE NOV. 1.

	Pork, brls.	Bacon, lbs.	Lard, lbs.
1881	37,167	46,861,920	27,352,654
1880	37,167	60,530,641	48,313,570
Decrease	4,053	43,467,712	20,960,923

The exports from seven Atlantic ports for Europe for the week ending Dec. 10, 1881, were as follows:

To—	Flour, brls.	Wheat, bu.	Corn, bu.
United Kingdom	14,671	271,206	267,156
Continent of Europe	764	382,131	84,780
Total week	16,721	654,029	371,997
And for last four weeks—			
United Kingdom	220,033	2,498,627	2,696,333
Continent of Europe	7,013	1,371,014	696,165
Total four weeks	227,016	3,774,671	3,392,498

H. K. Jackson estimates the following as the wheat production of 1881:

	Quarters.		Quarters.
United Kingdom	13,000,000	Austria-Hungary	10,000,000
United States	50,000,000	Turkey	12,000,000
India	42,000,000	Hol. and Belgium	2,500,000
Russia	45,000,000	Spain	5,000,000
France	28,000,000	Canada	4,000,000
Germany	14,000,000		
Spain	4,000,000	Total	349,000,000
Italy	15,000,000		

The New York *Daily Bulletin* shows that during the last five years the United Kingdom has imported from the United States wheat and flour representing 36,500,000 qrs; from Russia, 5,500,000; rest of Europe, 10,500,000; Canada, 4,000,000; Chili, 1,000,000; and India and other countries rather above 8,000,000. Production of rice is shown to have reached this season 200,000,000 qrs in India, 160,000,000 in China, and 38,750,000 in Persia and Japan. Maize, 300,000,000 in the United States, and 45,000,000 in other countries. Production of potatoes as follows: United Kingdom, 5,000,000 tons; United States, 5,000,000 tons; Germany, 24,000,000 tons; France, 10,000,000 tons; Russia, 9,500,000 tons; Austria-Hungary, 6,000,000 tons; other countries, 12,350,000 tons.

The same authority gives the following live-stock statistics:

	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.
United Kingdom	2,000,000	10,000,000	28,000,000	3,000,000
United States	11,000,000	35,000,000	36,000,000	34,000,000
Australia	1,000,000	10,000,000	40,000,000	1,000,000
Russia	16,000,000	25,000,000	48,000,000	1,000,000
France	3,000,000	11,000,000	24,000,000	5,000,000
Germany	3,500,000	15,000,000	25,000,000	7,000,000
Austria-Hungary	4,000,000	15,000,000	20,000,000	7,000,000
Italy	1,000,000	4,000,000	7,000,000	1,000,000
Spain	2,000,000	3,000,000	15,000,000	2,000,000
Canada	1,000,000	3,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
La Plata	4,000,000	12,000,000	60,000,000	9,000,000

Germany has 2,000,000 and Spain 3,000,000 goats, 750,000 asses, and 650,000 mules.

THE BREADSTUFFS MOVEMENT.
To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 13.—The receipts of flour and grain at the Atlantic ports continue to decline, and the totals for the past week were only 196,195 brls flour, 790,212 bu wheat, 1,628,488 bu corn, and 228,936 bu oats, against for the preceeding week of this year 215,494 brls flour, 982,044 bu wheat, 1,241,808 bu corn, and 223,317 bu oats; while for the corresponding week of 1880 the receipts were 370,703 brls flour, 1,489,078 bu wheat, 1,529,005 bu corn, and 361,865 bu oats, being a decrease for the past week of 130,508 brls flour, 700,000 bu wheat, 300,000 bu corn, and 100,000 bu oats. The record of the crop movement for five seasons, as measured by the total receipts at the Atlantic ports from Sept. 1 to Dec. 9, shows a very heavy falling off this year, as illustrated by the following figures:

Sept. 1 to Dec. 9,	Flour, brls.	Wheat, bu.	Corn, bu.	Oats, bu.
1881	3,598,314	24,566,351	20,043,371	7,192,464
1880	4,993,225	47,477,993	39,413,918	13,393,356
1879	4,946,329	51,361,365	34,451,646	14,743,307
1878	4,710,266	34,253,203	34,252,243	8,540,434
1877	4,704,913	25,660,092	24,882,975	8,576,611

The receipts of flour at the seaboard, as shown by the foregoing figures, from Sept. 1 to Dec. 9, 1881, were only 3,598,314 brls, or

...Chicago rutter at 7@7½c for gold stock. Prices were quotable at 5@6c for fair to good packing stock, and 8@9c for choice. Sales were at 9c. Live tame ducks commanded 70c per doz. Tame mallards were firmer at $1.10@1.15 per pair. Venison in demand at 9@10c per lb.

There was a steady trade at quotations:

Hay—Timothy, $16 per ton; and New York, per bri...$ 1.25
...ck, per bri.....1.75@2.00
...ck, per bri.....1.75@2.00
...per bri.....1.50
...dairy, per sack.....6
...dairy, per sack.....1.10
...dairy, per sack.....1.15

TALLOW—Is dull at 7½c for city and 6½c for No. 1 country rendered, with No. 2 country at 6c. Sales on the basis of 7c for city at $7.35.

OILS—Finished goods were quoted steady on a basis of $1.27 per gallon.

WOOL—There is a steady trade at the prices given.

Best to choice medium tub	40@44
Fine and X and XX	36@38
Fine unwashed fleece	31@32
Medium and unwashed fleece	37@41
Medium washed fleece	43@44
Fine washed fleece	39@43

LIVE STOCK.

CHICAGO.

Receipts—	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Monday	1,811	32,624	1,051
Tuesday	3,079	23,304	991
Wednesday	3,457	28,256	1,427
Thursday	1,923	30,092	1,498
Friday	4,550	31,048	1,960
Total	17,824	191,426	7,389
Same time last week	22,081	196,219	6,330
Monday	1,866	1,947	225
Tuesday	1,178	3,477	...
Wednesday	2,525	3,284	1,000
Thursday	2,169	3,429	213
Total	9,737	14,107	853

CATTLE—Prices were about the same as on Thursday. If there was any chance it was to the advantage of buyers, the prevailing feeling being one of weakness. The condition of the Eastern markets is such that the continued apathy of shippers was to be expected, but prices were already "off" fully 25@50c from Monday, and feeders did not feel like making further concessions, consequently trade was sluggish, and although the receipts showed a considerable falling off, almost as many cattle were left over as remained unsold at the close of the previous day. The quality was not as good as on either of the previous days of the week. There was not an unusually large number of poor lots, but the proportion of good to medium was small. But little trading was accomplished at over $5.25, while by far the larger part was at prices below $5.00—the bulk at $3.75@4.75. Some fine Christmas beeves were included in the offerings, but these were in common with other descriptions, was not in good demand, and ruled weak to lower. Stockers and feeders were in good request, and ruled firm at $3.50@4.50 for inferior to extra. The market closed heavy.

QUOTATIONS:

Extra Beeves—Steers, weighing 1,500 lbs and upwards	$5.00@5.75
Good to choice shipping steers, weighing from 1,350 to 1,500 lbs	4.60@5.00
Fair to good shipping steers, weighing from 1,200 to 1,350 lbs	4.25@4.60
Medium Grades—Steers in fair flesh, weighing 1,050 to 1,200 lbs	4.00@4.20
Butchers' Stock—Fair to choice steers and common to choice cows for city slaughter, weighing 850 to 1,050 lbs	3.75@3.75
Stock Cattle—Common cattle, weighing 600 to 1,000 lbs	3.50@3.50
Inferior—Light and thin cows, heifers, stags, bulls and scalawags	2.00@3.50
Veals—Per 100 lbs	4.00@7.50

CATTLE SALES.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
14	1,360	$5.10	14	1,130	$4.40
1	1,440	6.00	32	1,030	4.85
1	1,260	5.00	17	1,198	4.50
1	1,230	5.00	1	1,020	4.00
1	1,210	5.00	20	950	4.35
1	1,280	5.00	3	1,043	4.65
1	1,420	5.65	25	1,142	4.60
1	1,360	5.50	17	1,194	4.10
1	1,260	5.00	55	1,107	4.12½
1	1,360	5.50	1	1,040	4.00
1	1,440	5.40	1	1,040	4.00
1	1,360

SATURDAY'S REVIEW.

A Holiday Quiet Stealing Over the Wholesale Trade.

Prices Have Been Held Up by Hope More than Profit.

Grain and Provisions, if Anything, Have Been a Trifle Weak.

...ber Mill Continues to Boom Tremendously, to the Wonder of Other Lines of Trade.

The Anglo-Chinese Deal in Tea Has Greatly Unsettled That Beverage.

A Record of the Lumber-Cut in the Upper Mississippi Country for 1881.

Cotton Has Met with a Fair Demand, but Sales Have Been Rather Light.

Whisky Sales Diminished in an Unusual Manner Toward the Close of the Week.

THE MISSISSIPPI LUMBER-CUT.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 16.—The Pioneer-Press prints to-morrow a review of the lumber trade mill cut in the Upper Mississippi Valley in 1881, which contains many statistics and details of interest. We will note generally.

The season just closed has been one of the most prosperous that the manufacturers and dealers in lumber have known in many years.

The season's cut by the Minneapolis sawmills will be larger than in previous years, some of the mills having operated night and day a part of the time. The production was not so large, however, as it is the purpose to make it is designed to get away be very materially reduced. The following tables show what it is de- signed to get by the loggers on the Mississippi and its tributaries for mills here and elsewhere:

Name of firm.	No. of saws.	Carried over.
Gould & Wallace	14,000,000	8,500,000
T. B. Walker	30,000,000	.....
Clark & McClure	24,000,000	2,000,000
J. G. Rogers & Co	7,000,000	3,000,000
Cardogan, Robinson & Co	8,000,000	1,500,000
Minneapolis Mill Company	4,500,000	.....
L. Day & Son	12,000,000	4,000,000
Smith, Parker & Co	4,000,000	300,000
Farnham & Lovejoy	24,000,000	4,000,000
John Martin & Co	15,000,000	3,000,000
Morrison Bros	11,000,000	4,500,000
Merriman, Barrows & Co	30,000,000	4,000,000
Brooks & Bray	11,000,000	4,000,000
Nelson, Tenney & Co	12,000,000	2,000,000
J. H. Thompson	3,000,000	.....
Isaac Jones	3,000,000	500,000
Clough Bros	10,000,000	.....
Eastman, Bovey & Co	20,000,000	4,000,000
Henry Bryant	9,000,000	2,000,000
Diamond Mill Company	8,000,000	1,000,000
J. B. Gilfillan	3,000,000	.....
S. G. Cook	4,000,000	2,000,000
J. C. Kimble	1,000,000	300,000
Wheaton, Reynolds & Co	4,000,000	.....
Pettebone Bros	1,000,000	.....
J. F. Wilson, on Prairie River	1,200,000	.....
W. D. Washburn & Co	20,000,000	.....
Sundry parties unreported	25,000,000	.....

UP THE MISSISSIPPI.

J. A. Davis & Co., Brainard	11,000,000	.....
C. H. Rives, Princeton	4,000,000	.....
Charles Pillsbury & Co., Sauk River	20,000,000	.....
Prince & Houlton, St. Paul	1,500,000	.....
Reed & Sherwood, Anoka	3,000,000	.....
Thompson Cushman & Co	8,000,000	.....
H. B. Morrison, Motley	4,500,000	.....
Wells & Houlton, Rice River	3,000,000	.....
H. Houlton, Elk River	2,000,000	.....

SUMMARIZED.

Total prospective cut for 1882	398,200,000	.....
Logs carried over and reported	61,000,000	.....
Total prospective log cut	457,200,000	.....
Total prospective log cut for 1881	320,000,000	.....
Logs left over 1881	61,000,000	.....
Total prospective cron 1882	394,200,000	.....
Excess	170,200,000	.....

UP THE MISSISSIPPI.

	Lumber.	Shingles.	Lath.
Gould & Wallace	4,376,152	4,137,000	1,613,000
T. B. Walker	5,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Clark & McClure	14,000,000	4,000,000	2,000,000
J. G. Rogers & Co	22,000,000	6,000,000	3,000,000
Cardogan, Robinson & Co	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Minneapolis Mill Company	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
L. Day & Son	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Smith, Parker & Co	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Farnham & Lovejoy	14,000,000	3,500,000	1,500,000
John Martin & Co	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Morrison Bros	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Merriman, Barrows & Co	14,000,000	3,500,000	1,500,000
Brooks & Bray	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Nelson, Tenney & Co	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
J. H. Thompson	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
Isaac Jones	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
Clough Bros	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Eastman, Bovey & Co	20,000,000	5,000,000	2,000,000
Henry Bryant	9,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Diamond Mill Company	8,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
J. B. Gilfillan	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
S. G. Cook	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
J. C. Kimble	1,000,000	300,000	200,000
Wheaton, Reynolds & Co	4,000,000	.....	.....
Pettebone Bros	1,000,000	.....	.....
J. F. Wilson, on Prairie River	1,200,000	.....	.....
W. D. Washburn & Co	20,000,000	.....	.....
Sundry parties unreported	25,000,000	.....	.....
Total	257,576,152	69,437,000	31,313,000

THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI.

J. A. Davis & Co.	11,000,000	.....	.....
C. H. Rives	4,000,000	.....	.....
Charles Pillsbury & Co.	20,000,000	.....	.....
Prince & Houlton	1,500,000	.....	.....
Reed & Sherwood	3,000,000	.....	.....
Thompson Cushman & Co.	8,000,000	.....	.....
H. B. Morrison	4,500,000	.....	.....
Wells & Houlton	3,000,000	.....	.....
H. Houlton	2,000,000	.....	.....
Total	257,576,152	69,437,000	31,313,000

The above are not at hand for a comparison of the stock on hand in the Valley of the Upper Mississippi, even were it possible to make it with the knowledge that very much of all the lumber held outside of Minneapolis is in the hands of dealers who are not manufacturers, and oftentimes shipped in by rail from other localities. A comparison of the stock on hand is, therefore, confined to the Minneapolis dealers, all the figures in the following table being derived from the dealers themselves, with the single exception of those placed against the mill company, the manager of the lumber department of that institution declining to give detailed data. The figures are, therefore, no more than estimated in that single instance. The stock of lumber on hand at the close of the season—fixed at Dec. 1—may, therefore, be given as follows:

MINNEAPOLIS DEALERS.

Name of firm.	Lumber.	Shingles.	Lath.
Farnham & Lovejoy	2,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000
Smith, Parker & Co	1,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
J. H. Thompson	500,000	.....	.....
Isaac Jones	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Eastman, Bovey & Co	6,000,000	.....	75,000
Henry Bryant	2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Diamond Mill Company	1,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
J. C. Kimble	2,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
Wheaton, Reynolds & Co	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
Pettebone Bros	1,000,000	.....	.....
Total	18,500,000	6,000,000	6,075,000

MINNEAPOLIS MILLS.

Name of firm.	Lumber.	Shingles.	Lath.
Gould & Wallace	4,376,152	4,137,000	1,613,000
T. B. Walker	5,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Clark & McClure	14,000,000	4,000,000	2,000,000
J. G. Rogers & Co	22,000,000	6,000,000	3,000,000
Cardogan, Robinson & Co	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Minneapolis Mill Company	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
L. Day & Son	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Smith, Parker & Co	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Farnham & Lovejoy	14,000,000	3,500,000	1,500,000
John Martin & Co	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Morrison Bros	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Merriman, Barrows & Co	14,000,000	3,500,000	1,500,000
Brooks & Bray	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Nelson, Tenney & Co	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
J. H. Thompson	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
Isaac Jones	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
Clough Bros	10,000,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
Eastman, Bovey & Co	20,000,000	5,000,000	2,000,000
Henry Bryant	9,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Diamond Mill Company	8,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
J. B. Gilfillan	3,000,000	1,000,000	500,000
S. G. Cook	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
J. C. Kimble	1,000,000	300,000	200,000
Wheaton, Reynolds & Co	4,000,000	.....	.....
Pettebone Bros	1,000,000	.....	.....
J. F. Wilson, on Prairie River	1,200,000	.....	.....
W. D. Washburn & Co	20,000,000	.....	.....
Sundry parties unreported	25,000,000	.....	.....
Total	257,576,152	69,437,000	31,313,000

THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI.

J. A. Davis & Co.	11,000,000	.....	.....
C. H. Rives	4,000,000	.....	.....
Charles Pillsbury & Co.	20,000,000	.....	.....
Prince & Houlton	1,500,000	.....	.....
Reed & Sherwood	3,000,000	.....	.....
Thompson Cushman & Co.	8,000,000	.....	.....
H. B. Morrison	4,500,000	.....	.....
Wells & Houlton	3,000,000	.....	.....
H. Houlton	2,000,000	.....	.....
Total	111,576,152	69,437,000	31,313,000

THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI.

The following table shows the stock in the hands of the manufacturers on the Upper Mississippi, and are not significant because not complete:

THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI.

C. H. Rives	4,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Total	7,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
Reed & Sherwood, Anoka	3,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Thompson Cushman & Co., Sauk Rapids	8,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000
H. B. Morrison, Motley	4,500,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Wells & Houlton, Rice River	3,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
H. Houlton, Elk River	2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total	26,500,000	7,000,000	5,000,000
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